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MESSAGE FROM THE 19th CENTURY

by Alfred Newlin

Alfred Newlin of West Grove Monthly Meeting, North Carolina Yearly Meeting submitted the Essay on the Atonement by Cyrus Harvey, which was printed in the Western Friend in 1880. This article was a favorite of the father of Alfred Newlin, Harvey Newlin, who said, "There is one thing which we here are all equal. We have the Inner Light. If we obey it, it will grow brighter, but if we turn aside from it and refuse to follow it our Spiritual Vision will grow dimmer."

THE ATONEMENT

Written by Cyrus W. Harvey in Fifth Month 1880.

By the disobedience and sin of Adam, death passed upon all men, condemnation and judgment rested upon all. Man lost his spiritual life, lost the image of purity and holiness in which he was created, and over all sin reigned unto death. The door of mercy was closed. No Mediator or Daysman was left to stand between man and God. In the awful malady and attendant calamity of sin, man was separated from God. So complete and total was his loss and corruption, that no spiritual strength, or life, or seed of good, remained in man.

Having lost His life, abiding under the penalty of death, which God had attached to the violation of the law, and as created beings having no other life to give as a substitute to satisfy the penalty attached to disobedience and sin, man was indeed, without the means of expiation or atonement. For in the divine economy, as taught by the law of Moses, and by the Great apostle of the Gentiles there is no remission of sins without the shedding of blood or the substitute of life. Without a sacrifice commensurate with the requirements of this law, it appears that reconciliation and redemption were not attainable.

Though lost and dead, helpless and condemned, man was still an object of compassion to infinite love and mercy, and God's love and wisdom provided the remedy for his redemption, by sending His only begotten Son into the world to save the world.

He was the Word, which was in the beginning with God and was God; being in the form of God, He was equal with God. Jesus Himself taught that He was before Abraham, that He that had seen Him, had seen the Father, and that He and His Father were one.

The Word came down from heaven, made Himself of no reputation, took upon Him the form of a servant, and was made in the likeness of men. As the fullness of the Godhead, in the "prepared" body He was found in fashion as a man, in the likeness of sinful flesh. As God He was equal with God as man He was like man, sin only excepted. For as our High Priest, and the Captain of our Salvation, he also likewise took part of the same flesh and blood as the children; not the nature of angels, but the seed of Abraham; for in all things says the Apostle, it behooved Him to be made like unto His brethern.

In this view we behold Jesus Christ as God and man, or in His own words, the Son of God and the Son of man; He is the Christ, the Messiah, the Saviour of the world; who, as He informs us, received commandment of His Father to lay down His life a ransom for many; or in the language of the apostle, He gave Himself for us, as a sacrifice, and offering or ransom for our sins.

We should bear in mind that the Himself thus given was Christ, the Son of God, and the Son of man the eternal, divine life of the Word in union with the life of the seed of Abraham-God and man.

By the experience of our infirmities, sorrows and temptations as man, He was perfected as our High Priest, and if we rob His humanity we rob the High Priesthood; through His divinity He gave an infinite value to the sacrifice, and if we limit His divinity we rob the atonement.

Corporally, He died only as a man; but there was depth of virus to the Spiritual malady of sin which physical suffering never could reach; before the feeble manifestations of which, in despair and remorse, it had paled; for the spiritual suffering of the sin-condemned soul is the deepest and the most acute known to man. In that experience of soul-baptism in the Garden of Gethsemane where Jesus sweat as it were great drips of blood down to the ground, which the sacred writers have described by the words, "very heavy," "sore amazed," "Soul sorrowful unto death," "being in agony," we behold the suffering which preceeded the scourge and the Cross; and we may form a faint idea of the cost to Him of that cup, which even now He prayed His Father to remove from Him. He was made sin for us. He bare our sins, the chastisement of our peace was upon Him. The wages or penalty of sin is death; not physical death only, but spiritual death also. Spiritual death is not a cessation of being but an experience of loss of communion, and of separation from God.

ELDERING AMONG EARLY FRIENDS

by Jack Smith

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The period from 1700 until 1825 was the long summer of the Quaker movement. This was the time when many ideas set forth during the formative years of Quakerism reached maturity and a distinctive, established Quaker way of life reached its full development. Subsequent periods of Quakerism have been unable to match the record of this earlier period in such important areas as religion life and social reform. This was the era of the John Woolmans and the Lucretia Motts. Ministering Friends not only met the religious needs of a far-flung Quaker community, but were often the first to reach pioneer settlements. During portions of this period, Quakers governed three American colonies and were politically influential in two others. Today, Friends often sense the need for a Quaker meeting to be a living community. During this period, Quakerism was just this - a living, organic group of people who lived and shared the same experience, both in their meetings and in their lives.

During this period, in the late eighteenth century, Friends in a number of meetings in New York Yearly Meeting were feeling several pressures. Many areas had been farmed for periods approaching several centuries, and some of the lands were becoming exhausted. Also many of the younger families were experiencing difficulty in obtaining suitable farms, due to high population pressures on the land in these long settled regions. Accordingly, some of these Friends migrated into the Champlain Valley area of Vermont where they settled the virgin lands which were then being opened up by wealthly Quaker land speculators. By 1801 there were enough Friends in this area to establish a monthly meeting at Ferrisburg, within the jurisdiction of New York Yearly Meeing. This area continued to develop until a sizeable Quarterly Meeting had been established, consisting eventually of four monthly meetings and eight preparative meetings.

There was considerable vitality in these meetings at this time. Many non-Friends living in the area became convinced of Truth. My research has shown that from 1802 until 1819, one hundred and one people joined Ferrisburg Monthly Meeting by convincement. Between 1820 and 1823, ten marriage oversight committees were named by this meeting, indicating that they were effectively keeping their young people. New meetings were being established in the region through an outreach effort, which demanded considerable religious nurturance from the more established meetings such as Ferrisburg. Numerous Friends from this region travelled extensively in the ministry to distant states and counties in journeys requiring many months and even years to complete.

During the period from 1801-1828, Ferrisburg Monthly Meeting was a dynamic organization, a fine example of the all-inclusive Quaker Community of this era. The meeting was the focal point of the lives of its members, the context within which all major decisions were made. Examples of this can be found in the minutes of this meeting. For instance, in 1805 "Peter Van Vliet informed this meeting that he had a mind to go to upper Canada to look for a settlement and desires Friends advise therin and therefore Timothy Dakin, Jessie Griffin and James Austin are appointed to give him such advice as they shall see meet and report." Again, the following year a member was having difficulty with his financial affairs and he looked to the meeting for advice and assistance, which was willingly given, proving useful. It is reported in the monthly meeting minutes that "the committee to assist John Kerly in the settlement of his affairs report they have attended to the appointment and advised him to sell his interest and pay his debts which he has complied with and sold it for $800.00 and chose James Austin to receive his notes... and pay his debts and hand out (the balance) for said Kerly and wife support." Education was an important consideration of Friends, and in 1805 Starksboro Preparative Meeting forwarded a request for "liberty to set a schoolhouse on the monthly meeting land at that place."

The moral and social standards of the group were enforced by the Meeting. Individuals were visited by members of the meeting when they appeared to be having problems, and either assisted or encouraged accordingly. It is interesting to note that the whole group, and not a small portion of it (as is so often erroneously assumed) had a role in the functions of eldering and oversight. In Ferrisburg, from 1820 through 1823, thirty-four (34) male Friends had a role in functions associated with eldering. The role of eldering was exercised for a variety of reasons. Often to us the reasons seem questionable and the results tragic. Marriages by young people not under the care of the meeting were frowned upon, as well as attendance at other non-Friendly religious gatherings. Attendance at horse races and "places of diversion" such as dances and other

amusements was certain to bring the weight of the meeting upon the offender. Other causes for eldering were more serious. In Ferrisburg from 1820-1823, Friends were dealt with for spreading rumors about others, the use of foul language, striking a neighbor and even a case of adultery. After perusing the minutes of the Ferrisburg Meeting, it became apparent that, although Friends were a living community, they were not entirely saintly. They seemed to have many of the same problems of life which Paul encountered in early Christian groups such as at Corinth.

Although the whole meeting was concerned with the total life of the group, most of the members tended to have more active roles in some areas of the meetings functions than in others, depending on their talents and gifts. Some gravitated more toward roles more commonly associated with "ministry" while others were more concerned with "eldering functions."

From these studies of Ferrisburg Monthly Meeting, several conclusions can be proposed:

1. That a Quaker Meeting formerly was a comprehensive group which spoke to the religious and temporal needs of its members.
2. That the whole meeting, and not just a select few, were concerned and involved in its basic functions such as ministering and eldering.

It can be asserted that too many Friends Meetings have become "religious clubs" which have lost touch with many of the daily realities its members face. In a world rapidly becoming impersonal, we might well consider whether there are needs of people which we are allowing to go unanswered. Perhaps we should consider moral values and ideals as a religious group, and get over our overemphasis on individualism. If we are to be God's People, then we must be a people. We cannot just deal with a thin slice of the man. We must broaden the context of our understanding of what it means to be a Religious Society of Friends; A future article will speak to some of these issues I have raised here.

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But as we follow Jesus from the garden of Gethsemane to the Cross, we behold the continuation of this soul "agony." The Evangelical Prophet in the visions of light had foreseen that God would make His soul an offering for sin, that He would see the travail of His soul and be satisfied (Isa. 1: 10-11), so in the final struggle with the power of darkness in the last hour He hung upon the Cross, while darkness lay like a pall over the land, God seems to have veiled His face, "and the shadows of death passed for a moment in the blackness over His Spirit;" and in the unspeakable pain of His mental anguish he cried "my God, my God, why hast thou forsaken me."

He died only as man, for God or spirit cannot die, though error in the sublimity of such self-contradiction may so assert, but in the same sense and measure in which the Son of God, who knew no sin could be made sin for us, He could and did experience its penalty in soul anguish, even to its utmost reaches, that of being "forsaken" of God.

In that union of the divine and human, in which the Son of God and the Son of man became the Christ our Redeemer, He suffered as an infinite divine sacrifice, and tasted death for every man.

There is this day, a manifest tendency to dwell largely on that outward physical death, without giving this precious experience to which our attention is directed by the sacred historians its due weight and place.

It was in opposition to a similar tendency, and in view of this two-fold parallel with the two natures, human and Divine, in Christ, that early Friends refused to limit the application of the term "blood of Christ" to the outward or elementary blood alone. Receiving the term blood in its Scriptural signification as synonymous with life. With them it stood for Divine as well as human life; and they therefore taught that there was a spiritual blood to be known by experience, of which the true believer was to eat and have Eternal Life.

Isaac Penington says "we lay the main stress upon the Life which took upon it the manhood;" again Penington says, "The scriptures do expressly distinguish between Christ and the garment He wore, between Him and the body in which He came. There was the outward vessel and the Inward Life," and he queries "are the heavenly things of the new covenant cleansed by the flesh and blood of the veil, or the flesh and blood of that within the veil? Was it the flesh and blood of the outward earthly nature, or the flesh and blood of the inward spiritual nature? Was it the flesh and blood which Christ took of the first Adam's nature or the flesh and blood of the second Adam's nature?" (Works, 3rd London edition, 1784, Vol. III, p 52.)

Though we may thus distinguish between that which belongs to the two natures in Christ, we may not divide them; yet as in the Himself who was given for us, there was both human and Divine, we may rightly assume that so far as His Life was human life, His blood was human or elementary; so also, so far as His Life was eternal and Divine, His blood was Divine and Spiritual.

Satan's Plan Against the Society of Friends

by Guy Shum

Guy Shum and his family recently moved to Ohio from Maryland. He is a member of Somerset Monthly Meeting, Ohio Yearly Meeting.

Time will confirm what the Spirit has spoken concerning Satan's role in the fall of the once might Society of Friends. It will also be clearly made manifest that his activity in our times has been more subtle, though none the less dangerous, than at any other time in our Society's past. I implore all of those who still have Jesus Christ as first love to hear not with an outward ear, but with an inward anointing. We must understand how close our remnant is to losing what we have. We are in danger. We must see this. To understand this we must see what God is seeking to do with us. Only by this can we see what Satan is seeking to do to us.

Through the Spirit Christ worked His people into a spiritual body. The church is that body. Just as our own individual bodies are temples, so too collectively our bodies are built together in this manner fit for offeirng up sacrifices to God in a spirit living out his life through his spirits here on the earth. This is so glorious! The saints are Jesus alive today.

Because the body was so strong in the early days, Satan had to devise a scheme by which to deal with this strength. We see through scripture that the Apostles were in some measure aware of this onslaught. The New Testament is full of warnings about the ravenous wolves who were already at that time coming into the sheepfold. When these false ones had gotten in, Jesus called the true sheep out and the true ones went with Him into the wilderness. This left us with Christianity, on one hand, the visible church religion, and Christ and His Life in an invisible form or wilderness state

Satan worked his forms and rules and religion into all those since that time who became a part of that Christianity, while Life was with all those who worshipped God in spirit in the wilderness. We are taught in all areas of carnal life to revere popes and steeplehouses and religion, and to recall their deeds in history, and to memorize all their exploits. We do not know how many of the saints continued into Life, or how many history has not recorded. The book of Life will someday reveal them to us. What a day when we see this.

We must see now what it was that happened to Life through George Fox. It is glorious. From the time of the inception of the religious outward church system until God anointed the early Friends, Life and the true church continued side by side. The visible and the invisible, one with God, one without. One a splendid Babylon, the other scattered army of invisible saints. Praise God for what is next.

The anointing Fox was given for one purpose: the true Church and true Life became visible. The mighty power of the wilderness army had come forth to storm the walls of Babylon! A lambs war! Oh Satan was mad! And oh Friends were glad!

The Harlot and her daughters were exposed, the Beast, and religion were shown and God's power was set forth for the battle against Christianity. Piety, sacraments, prayer books, and steeplehouses were judged. The war was begun to set the captive saints free from Mystery Babylon! Religion began to persecute the Life but she could not stop it! Friends of Jesus held fast, but this was only for a time.

Satan no longer could continue to trick people about the true church because she was now visible. He now had to deal with the visible remnant. He did so in the same manner as before in years past with the apostolic church.

Elias Hicks was a wolf in the clothing of a sheep. He had a mission to perform and he did it quite well He denied the Life by denying the full efficacy of the Blood of Jesus and His Divinity. This left those who followed him with the "form" of worship which God had recovered but without a savior to give it Life. Elias Hicks set up a religion, and captivated many, taking them back to Babylon, the Hicksite religion. Now that Satan had taken care of the power by leaving the "form", he must deal with the "form", leaving the power.

Joseph John Gurney took care of this. Just as Satan had to deal with a strong body in older times, so he must now paralize the remaining body of Friends. When a person is paralized he still has a heart beat and brain waves. He can still think and feel but he cannot move. God restored the saints to their true function as a body. Each member was free to move as the head directed. The spirit could flow. The religion of J.J. Gurney was a direct denial of the Holy Spirit's empowering the movements of each member of the body. The

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Third Month. At South Kingstown Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Wakefield the 28th day of 3d. month 1923. The Clerk of this meeting being absent Lucy W. Foster was appointed clerk for this time. From the account from Wakefield Preparative meeting we learn that the representatives to this meeting are Lucy W. Foster and Eunice B. Nichols both are present.
Lucy W. Foster. Clerk for this day.

Fourth Month. At South Kingstown Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Wakefield 4th month 2d 1923. The account from the Preparative meeting being present states that the representatives to this meeting are Lucy W. Foster, Charles Perry and Thomas P. Nichols all are present. The Queries with answers to each have been read at this time, we forward them answers to our next Quarterly Meeting by any friend. Charles Perry, Gilman E. Foster, Lydia S. Perry, Thomas P. Nichols and Anna O. Foster whom we appoint our representatives.
An application has been received for membership in this meeting of Katharine Perry which the first approval of her friends, this having been considered by this meeting a Committee has been appointed consisting of Eunice B. Clark and Lucy W. Foster to attend to the matter and report at our next meeting.
Lucy W. Foster. Clerk for the day.

Fifth Month. At South Kingstown Monthly Meeting held at Wakefield the 30th of 5th month 1923. The Clerk being absent Lucy W. Foster was appointed in his place. The account from the Preparative Meeting states that the representatives to this meeting are Gilman E. Foster and Charles Perry both are present. Charles Perry reports for the representatives that they have been in attendance at our last Quarterly Meeting and the meeting was held in the usual good order. The Committee appointed to visit Katharine Perry report they have attended to that duty and are united in recommending that she be received as a member. The meeting having

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Lucy N. Foster Clerk for the day.

Sixth Mnth. At South Kingstown Monthly Meeting held at Westerly 6th month 27th 1923.
The account from Westerly Preparative Meeting states the representatives to this meeting are Sarah Hoxsie and Eunice B. Nichols, both are present.
Anna A. Gardner Clerk.

Seventh Month. At South Kingstown Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Westerly, the 25th of 7th month 1923.
The clerk of this meeting being absent Lucy N. Foster was appointed clerk for the day.
The account from the Preparative Meeting states that the representatives to this meeting are Elizabeth P. Nichols and Eunice B. Nichols, both are present. The queries with answers to the 1st, 2nd. and 10th have been read at this time, we forward these answers to the next Quarterly Meeting by our friends Charles Perry, Mary S. Dapuel, and Gertrude E. Foster, whom we appoint our representatives.
Lucy N. Foster,
Clerk for the day.

Eighth Month. At South Kingstown Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Westerly the 29th of 8th month 1923. The account from Westerly Preparative meeting states the representatives to this meeting are Anna A. Gardner and Eunice B. Nichols, both are present.
Charles Perry on behalf of the representatives appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting reports they were all present.
Anna A. Gardner, Clerk.

Ninth Month. At South Kingstown Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Westerly, the 26th of 9th month 1923.
The account from Westerly Preparative Meeting states the representatives to this meeting are Sarah Hoxsie and Charles Perry, only is present.
Anna A. Gardner, Clerk.

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Tenth Month

At South Kingstown Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Westerly the 24th of 10th month 1923. The clerk being absent, Lucy W. Foster was appointed in her place. The account from the Preparative Meeting being present to learn the representatives to this meeting are Thomas P. Hoxie & Edwards Perry, one of whom is present.

The Queries with answers to the 1st, 2nd, and 10th have been read at this time. We forward these answers to our next Quarterly Meeting by our friends Amos C. Foster, Edwards Perry, Phebe L. Perry and Gertrude E. Foster, whom we appoint our representatives and they are requested to report their attendance at our next Meeting.

Lucy W. Foster.
Clerk for the day.

Eleventh Month

At South Kingstown Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Westerly, the 28th of 11th month 1923. The account from Westerly Preparative Meeting states the representatives to this Meeting are Gertrude E. Foster and Anna A. Gardner, both are present. Gertrude E. Foster on behalf of the representatives appointed to attend our last Quarterly Meeting reports they were all in attendance.

Anna A. Gardner, Clerk.

Twelfth Month

At South Kingstown Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Westerly the 26th of 12th month 1923. The account from Westerly Preparative Meeting informs us the representatives to this Meeting are Anna A. Gardner and Jacob Hoxie, both are present.

Anna A. Gardner, Clerk.

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First Month

At South Kingstown Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Westerly, the 30th of 1st month 1924. The account from Westerly Preparative Meeting states the representatives to this Meeting are Phebe Perry and Edwards Perry, both of whom are present. The Queries have been read at this time, with answers to the 1st, 2nd and 10th which we forward to our approaching Quarterly Meeting by our friends Eunice B. Hoxie, Edwards Perry, Amos C. Foster and Hannah W. Foster, whom we appoint as our representatives. They are requested to report their attendance at our next Meeting.

Anna A. Gardner, Clerk.

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Second Month

At South Kingstown Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Westerly the 27th of Second Month, 1924.
The account from Westerly Preparative Meeting informs us the representatives to this Meeting are Elizabeth P. Nichols and Hannah P. Hoxsie, both of whom are present. Eunice B. Nichols in behalf of the representatives appointed to attend our last Quarterly Meeting, reports they were all in attendance.

Anna A. Gardner, Clerk.

Third Month

At South Kingstown Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Westerly, the 26th of 3rd Month 1924
The account from Westerly Preparative Meeting states the representatives to this Meeting are Sarah C. Larkin and Eunice B. Nichols, both are present.

Anna A. Gardner, Clerk.

Fourth Month

At South Kingstown Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Westerly the 23rd of 4th month, 1924.
The account from Westerly Preparative Meeting informs us the representatives to this Meeting are Lucy P. Case and Charles Perry, both are present. The queries have been read in this Meeting with answers to each, which we forward to the approaching Quarterly Meeting by our friends Phebe S. Perry, Thomas P. Nichols, Eunice B. Clarke and Charles Perry whom do appoint as our representatives. They are requested to report their attendance at our next Meeting.

Anna A. Gardner, Clerk.

Fifth Month

At South Kingstown Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Westerly the 28th of 5th Month 1924.
The clerk being absent, Lucy P. Case was appointed Clerk for the day. From the Preparative Meeting account, we learn that the representatives to this Meeting are Gertrude E. Foster and Elizabeth P. Nichols, both are present. Phebe S. Perry reports for the representatives to our late Quarterly Meeting that they were all in attendance.

Lucy P. Case,
Clerk for the day

Sixth Month

At South Kingstown Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Westerly the 25th of 6th Month 1924.
The account from Westerly Preparative Meeting

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A proposition has been presented to this Meeting that the Treasurer of the Monthly Meeting appropriate a suitable sum among the members, which may be necessary for the expenses of the Monthly Meeting, and also to pay its quota to the Quarterly Meeting.
Approval has been expressed with the proposition and the Treasurer of the Monthly Meeting is requested to make such appointment as deemed necessary and suitable.

Anna A. Gardner, Clerk.

Seventh Month

At South Kingstown Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Westerly, the 30th of 7th month 1924.
From the Preparative Meeting account, we learn the representatives to this meeting are Lucy W. Foster and Sarah Hobson both of whom are present.
The queries have been read in this Meeting with answers to the 1st, 2nd and 11th which are forwarded to our next Quarterly Meeting by our friends, Eunice B. Clarke, Charles Perry, Anna A. Gardner and Thomas P. Nichols whom we appoint as our representatives, they are requested to report their attendance at our next Meeting.
The Treasurer of the Monthly Meeting reports a suitable apportionment has been made to meet the expenses of the Monthly Meeting and to pay its quota to the Quarterly Meeting as indicated in the minutes of the last Monthly Meeting and that necessary funds have been provided.

Anna A. Gardner, Clerk.

Eighth Month.

At South Kingstown Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Westerly, the 27th of 8th mo. 1924. The account from Preparative Meeting states the representatives to this meeting are Elizabeth P. Nichols and Sarah Hobson, both are present.
A communication has been received from Chester Monthly Meeting, held at Media, Pa. stating that Samuel C. Worth, a member of that meeting, asks that his membership be transferred to this Meeting. The certificate has been read at this time, unity was expressed with the request being granted,

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and he is now a member of this meeting.
The clerk is directed to give this information to Samuel E. Foster.
We are informed that the representatives appointed to attend our late Quarterly Meeting were all present.

Anna A. Gardner, Clerk.

Ninth Month

At South Kingstown Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Westerly, the 24th of 9th month 1924
The clerk being absent, Lucy W. Foster was appointed clerk for the day.
The account from Westerly Preparative Meeting states, that the representatives to this meeting are Charles Perry and Phebe Perry, both are present.
A communication has been received from Carroll K. Wilcox requesting membership for himself and three children in this meeting. Thomas P. Nichols and Eunice B. Hazard are appointed to confer with Carroll K. Wilcox and ascertain as to their clearness to become members with us and report at a future meeting.

Lucy W. Foster
Clerk for the day.

Tenth Month.

At South Kingstown Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Westerly, the 29th of 10th mo. 1924.
The account from Westerly Preparative Meeting states, the representatives to attend this meeting are Gertrude E. Foster and Thomas P. Nichols, both are present.
The queries have been read in this meeting with answers to the 12th, 2nd and 10th which are forward to the approaching Quarterly Meeting by our friends Charles Perry, Amos C. Foster, Elizabeth P. Nichols and Lydia S. Perry whom are appointed as our representatives. They are requested to report their attendance at our next Meeting.

Anna A. Gardner. Clerk.

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Eleventh Month

At South Kingstown Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Westerly the 26th of 11th mo. 1924.
The clerk being absent Lucy W. Foster was appointed in her place. The account from the Preparative Meeting states that the representatives to this meeting are Lucy W. Foster and Sarah E. Olson, both are present.
The representatives to our late Quarterly Meeting were all in attendance but one.

Lucy W. Foster,
Clerk for the day.

Twelfth Month.

At South Kingstown Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Westerly, the 23rd of 12th mo. 1924.
The clerk being absent Lucy W. Foster was appointed to take her place.
The account from the Preparative Meeting states that the representatives to this meeting are Peleg Perry and Lucy W. Foster, both are present.

Lucy W. Foster,
Clerk pro tem

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First Month

At South Kingstown Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Westerly, the 28th of 1st mo. 1925.
The account from Westerly Preparative Meeting states, the representatives to this meeting are Charles Perry and Lucy W. Foster, both are present.
The queries have been read in this Meeting, With answers to the 1st. 2nd. and 10th. Which is forward to the Quarterly Meeting, by our Friends Eunice B. Nichols, Charles Perry, Anna A. Gardner and Lucy W. Foster, Whom we appoint as our representatives / They are requested to report their attendance at our next meeting.
We have received at this time a communication from Priscilla Perry Hall and Francis Lovely Hall of Boston, Requesting that their children Priscilla Vickery Hall and Frances Lovely Hall Jr, become members of this Meeting.
This is referred to our next meeting for action.

Anna A. Gardner, Clerk.

Second Month

At South Kingstown Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Westerly, the 25th of 2nd mo. 1925.
The account from Westerly Preparative Meeting states that the representatives to this Meeting are Gertrude E. Foster and Anna A. Gardner, both are present, Eunice B. Nichols on behalf of the representatives appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting reports they were all in attendance.

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We received in the First Month a communication from Priscilla Perry Heall and Francis Leroy Heall of Boston, requesting that their children Priscilla Vickery Heall and Francis Leroy Heall Jr. become members of this meeting. The parents having already expressed their desires in this matter and the children being too young to consult, it was thought not necessary to follow the usual procedure of appointing a committee. The matter being referred to the Monthly Meeting, unity was found expressed with Priscilla Vickery Heall and Francis Leroy Heall Jr. becoming members of this meeting.

The clerk is requested to inform the parents of the action of the meeting.

Anna A. Gardner, Clerk

Third Month

At South Kingstown Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Westerly, the 25th of 3rd mo. 1925.

The account from Westerly Preparative Meeting states the representatives to this meeting are Gertrude E. Foster and Thomas S. Nichols, both are present.

Anna A. Gardner, Clerk.

Fourth Month

At South Kingstown Monthly Meeting of Friends, held at Westerly, the 29th of 4th mo. 1925.

By the account from Westerly Preparative Meeting, we learn the representatives to this meeting are Charles Perry and Lucy W. Foster, both are present.

The Queries have been read in this meeting followed by answers to each which are thought to describe our state at this time. We forward these answers to the approaching Quarterly Meeting by our friends Charles Perry, Thomas P. Nichols, Amos C. Foster and Hannah W. Webster whom we appoint as our representatives. They are requested to report this attendance at our next meeting.

Anna A. Gardner, Clerk.

Fifth Month

At South Kingstown Monthly Meeting of Friends, held at Westerly 5th mo. 29th 1925.

The account from Westerly Preparative Meeting states the representatives to this meeting are Francis B. Nichols, Lucy W. Foster and Charles Perry. All are present. We are informed that the representatives to the Quarterly Meeting were all in attendance.

Anna A. Gardner, Clerk.

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Sixth Month

At South Kingstown Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Westerly, the 24th day of 6th mo. 1925,
The clerk being absent Lucy W. Foster was appointed clerk for the time.
The account from Westerly Preparative Meeting states that the representatives to this Meeting are Gertrude E. Foster, Sarah Hoxsie and Thomas R. Nichols whose names being called all are present.
The proposition has been brought upon this Meeting that Edwards Perry and Virginia Perry Jr. be acknowledged as ministers of our Society; also that Lucy W. Foster, Henry H. Perry, Ruth F. Perry and Thomas Perry be appointed to the station of elders. The subject having been discussed and minuted with, by this Meeting, they are appointed in those positions.

Lucy W. Foster.
Clerk for the day.

Seventh Month.

At South Kingstown Monthly Meeting of Friends, held at Westerly, the 29th day of 7th month 1925.
The account from Westerly Preparative Meeting states the representatives to this Meeting are Thomas Perry and Gertrude E. Foster, both are present. The queries have been read at this time, & the answers to the 1st, 2nd and 10th minute be forward to the Quarterly Meeting by our Friends Edwards Perry, Amos A. Foster, Sarah Hoxsie and Lucy W. Foster, whom we appoint as our representatives. They are requested to report their attendance at our next Meeting.

Anna A. Gardner, Clerk.

Eighth Month.

At South Kingstown Monthly Meeting of Friends, held at Westerly, the 26th day of 8th mo. 1925.
The account from Westerly Preparative Meeting states, the representatives to this meeting are Gertrude E. Foster and Anna A. Gardner, both are present.
Lucy W. Foster on behalf of the representatives appointed to attend the late Quarterly Meeting, reports they were all in attendance.

Anna A. Gardner, Clerk.

Ninth Month

At South Kingstown Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Westerly, the 23rd day of 9th mo. 1925.
The account from Westerly Preparative Meeting states the representatives to this Meeting are Sarah Hoxsie and Anna A. Gardner, whose names being called, both are present.

Anna A. Gardner, Clerk.

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Tenth Month.

At South Kingstown Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Westerly 10th mo. 28th 1925.
The account from Westerly Preparative Meeting states the representatives to this meeting are Eunice B. Nichols, Charles Perry and Thomas P. Nichols, whose names were called. They are present except one.
A certificate of membership for Edith Nicholson Perry has been received from Chester Monthly Meeting held at Moorestown, New Jersey. This Meeting gives unity with its acceptance and the clerk is instructed to acknowledge the receipt of the same and to inform Edith Nicholson Perry of our meeting with this.
The answers to the Queries are forwarded to the Quarterly Meeting by our friends Amos E. Foster, Samuel C. Weston and Elizabeth P. Nichols whom we appoint as our representatives thereto, and they are requested to report their attendance at our next Meeting.

Eunice B. Nichols, clerk pro tem.

Eleventh Month

At South Kingstown Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Westerly, 11th mo. 28th 1925.
The account from Westerly Preparative Meeting states the representatives to this Meeting are Gertrude E. Foster and Elizabeth Perry. Both are present. We are informed that the representatives to the Quarterly Meeting were all in attendance.

Anna A. Gardner, clerk.

Twelfth Month

At South Kingstown Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Westerly the 30th of 12th mo. 1925.
The clerk being absent Lucy W. Foster was appointed clerk of the day.
The account from the Preparative Meeting states the representatives to this Meeting are Charles Perry and Eunice B. Nichols, both is present.

Lucy W. Foster,
clerk of the day.

1926 First Month

At South Kingstown Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Westerly the 27th of 1st. mo. 1926. The account from Westerly Preparative Meeting states the representatives to this meeting are Lucy W. Foster and Mary C. Gamerel, both are present.
The queries have been read in

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This Meeting Writh answers to the 1st, 2nd and 10th. Which We forward to the Quarterly Meeting by our Friends Joannah N. Webster, Amos C. Foster and Gertrude E. Foster, whom We appoint our representatives. They are requested to report their attendance at our next Meeting.

Anna A. Gardner, Clerk.

Second Month

At South Kingstown Monthly Meeting of Friends, held at Westerly, the 24th of 2nd. month 1926.

The account from Westerly Preparative Meeting states the representatives to this Meeting are Sarah Hobson and Gertrude E. Foster, both are present.

We are informed that two of the representatives appointed to attend the last Quarterly Meeting were in attendance.

Anna A. Gardner, Clerk.

Third Month

At South Kingstown Monthly Meeting of Friends, held at Westerly, the 24th. of 3rd month 1926.

The account from the Preparative Meeting states the representatives to this Meeting are Lucy W. Foster and Anna A. Gardner, Both are present the time attained by them in the family.

Anna A. Gardner, Clerk.

Fourth Month

At South Kingstown Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Westerly, the 28th of 4th mo. 1926. The account from Westerly Preparative Meeting informs us, the representatives to this Meeting are Thomas F. Willcox, Joannah W. Watson and Anna A. Gardner, all are present.

The minutes were then read at this time, and the answers to each, which We forward to the Quarterly Meeting in our Friends Philip Peirce, Benjamin Peirce, Lucy W. Foster and Anna A. Foster whom We appoint as our representatives. They have requested to report their attendance at our next Meeting.

Anna A. Gardner, Clerk.

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Fifth Month. At South Kingstown Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Wakefield the 26th and 27th days 1926. The account from Wakefield Preparative Meeting states the representatives to this meeting are Anna G. Gardner, Lucinda E. Foster and Charles Gray, all are present. The Gray one appointed to attend our late Quarterly Meeting reports they were all in attendance.

Anna A. Gardner, Clerk.

Sixth Month. At South Kingstown Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Wakefield the 23rd. 26th day of the month 1926. The account from Westerly Preparative Meeting states the representatives to this meeting are Lucinda E. Foster and Sarah Hobson, both are present.

Anna A. Gardner, Clerk.

Seventh Month. At South Kingstown Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Wakefield the 28th & 29th day of the month 1926. The clerk having absented Lucy N. Foster is appointed clerk for the day. The account from the Preparative Meeting (which is present) states that the Representatives to this meeting are Sarah Hobson and Edwin D. Hazard, both are present. The queries with answers to the 1st. 2nd & 10th are forwarded to our Quarterly Meeting. Sarah Hobson

~~Meeting~~ by our friends Thomas P. Hazard, Edwin D. Clark whom we appointed our representatives. A letter has been received by this meeting from Thomas Gray requesting membership in this meeting Endorsed by his parents Thomas Gray and Margaret Watson Gray Sufficient Evidence of the sincerity of the request having been given he is accepted a member of this meeting & letter forwarded accordingly.

Lucy N. Foster
Clerk for the day.

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Eighth Month

At South Kingstown Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Wakefield the 25th day of 8th mo. 1926 the clerk being absent Lucy W. Foster was appointed clerk for the day. On account from Wakefield preparative meeting stating that the representatives to this meeting are Sarah Hobson and Eugenie B. Nichols, both are present. Charles Tripp on behalf of the representatives to our late Quarterly Meeting reports they were all in attendance.

Lucy W. Foster
Clerk for the day.

Ninth Month.

At South Kingstown Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Wakefield the 29th day of 9th mo. 1926. The clerk being absent Lucy W. Foster was appointed clerk for the day. The account from Wakefield preparative meeting states that the representatives to this meeting are Hannah W. Webster and Charles Tripp. One is present.

Lucy W. Foster
Clerk for the day.

Tenth Month.

At South Kingstown Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Wakefield the 27th of 10th mo. 1926. We have from the account from the preparative meeting that the representatives to this meeting are Charles Tripp, both are present. The clerk being absent Lucy W. Foster was appointed clerk for the day. The queries with answers to the 1st, 2d. and 10th we read and pass forward the answers to our next Quarterly Meeting by our friends Amos D. Foster, Eunice B. Clark and Charles Tripp, whom we appoint our representatives. They are requested to report their attendance at our next meeting.

Lucy W. Foster
Clerk for the day.

Eleventh Month.

At South Kingstown Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Wakefield the 24th of 11th mo. 1926. The clerk being absent Lucy W. Foster was appointed to take her place. From the preparative meeting account (meeting we have) that the representatives to this meeting are Hannah W. Webster and Lucy W. Foster, both are present.

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Ennice B. Clark for the representatives reported they were all in attendance at our last Quarterly Meeting.

Lucy W. Forte
Clerk for the day.

Twelfth Month.

At South Kingstown Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Wakefield 12th mo. 28th. 1926 the Clerk being absent Lydia S. Cory was appointed to serve in her place. The account given the preparative meeting shows that Elizabeth Cory and Hannah W. Watson were appointed as representatives to this meeting, both are present.

Lydia S. Cory
Clerk for the day.

First Month. 1927

At South Kingstown Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Wakefield the 26th of 1st month 1927. The Clerk being absent Lucy W. Forte was appointed clerk for the day. The account from the preparative meeting states that the representatives to this meeting are Ennice B. Nichols and Hannah W. Watson, both are present. The queries have been read in this meeting with answers to the 1st, 2d and 12th. We forward the answers to our next Quarterly Meeting by our friends Anna C. Forte, Ennice B. Clark and Lucy W. Forte whom we appoint to represent us.

A communication from Upper Springfield Mo. Mtg. of Friends - Salem Ohio granting a removal certificate to Mary J. F. Edgerton who was requested by a minute sent to us. The proposition having been considered by this meeting hearty approval has been expressed.

Lucy W. Forte
Clerk for the day.

Second Month.

At South Kingstown Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Wakefield the 23d of 2d mo. 1927. The Clerk being absent Lucy W. Forte was appointed Clerk for this time. The account from the preparative meeting states that the representatives to this meeting are Sarah Hobson and Gertrude E. Forte. Ennice B. Clark reports for the representatives appointed to our last Q.M. they were all present.

Lucy W. Forte
Clerk for the day.

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Third Months.

At South Kingstown Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Wakefield the 30th of 3d. mo. 1927. The Clerk of this meeting being absent Lucy W. Foster was appointed to fill her place. The account from the preparative meeting states that the representatives to this meeting are Sarah Hobson and Gertrude C. Foster. Both are present.

Lucy W. Foster
Clerk for the day.

Fourth Months.

At South Kingstown Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Wakefield the 27th of 4th mo. 1927 The clerk being absent Lucy W. Foster was appointed to serve this time. The account from Wakefield preparative meeting states that the representatives to this meeting are Phebe Gray and Charles Gray, both are present. The queries with answers to each have been read at this time which are forwarded to our ensuing Quarterly Meeting by our friends Charles Gray, Hannah W. Webster and Mary J. F. Edgerton.

Lucy W. Foster
Clerk for the day.

Fifth Months

At South Kingstown Monthly meeting of Friends held at Wakefield the 25th of 5th mo. 1927. The clerk being absent Lucy W. Foster was appointed clerk for the day. From the preparative meeting account we learn that Charles Gray Mary J. F. Edgerton are appointed representatives to this meeting, this names being called are present the above representatives being appointed by silence. The representatives to this meeting. our Select Quarterly meeting are all in attendance. Phebe Gray and Harvey Gray are appointed to attend to the ordering seating of Friends at our Evening Family Meetings.

Lucy W. Foster
Clerk for the day

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Sixth Month

At South Kings town Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Westerly the 24th of 6th Month 1927. The account from Westerly Preparative Meeting states that the representatives to this meeting are Charles Perry and Gertrude E. Foster both are present. The clerk being absent Lucy W. Foster was appointed clerk for the day. The clerk of this meeting being prevented from attending on account of indisposition it was decided to appoint Gertrude E. Foster and Elizabeth Perry a committee to ascertain if the clerk wishes to be released from that service and to report at her next meeting.

Lucy W. Foster – clerk for the day – (per L.S.P.)

Seventh Month.

At South Kings town Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Westerly the 27th of 7th Month 1927. The clerk being absent Lucy W. Foster was appointed to serve for this time.

The account from the Preparative Meeting states that the representatives to this meeting are Mary J. F. Edgerton and Gertrude E. Foster, both are present.

The Queries have been read at this time and answers to the 1st, 2nd and 10th. We forward these answers to our next Quarterly Meeting by our Friends Charles Perry, Phebe F. Perry and Eunice B. Nichols.

The committee appointed to confer with the clerk of this meeting and to ascertain if on account of disability she would like to be relieved of the clerkship report that they have met with the clerk and she signified her desire to retire from that position. While we deeply regret her retirement after years of faithful service we accept her resignation. The meeting is united in appointing Lydia S. Perry as clerk of this meeting for the ensuing year and fill out the appointment of Lucy W. Foster, clerk for the day. (per L.S.P.)

8th Month

At South Kings town Monthly Meeting of Friends held in Westerly 8 month 22nd 1927 the account from the Preparative meeting states that the representatives to this meeting are Mary J. F. Edgerton and Gertrude E. Foster one of whom was present.

Eunice B. Nichols reported for the representatives to our last Quarterly Meeting that two were present.

An invitation to the Seventh Day Baptist General Conference now in session in Westerly was read.

Lydia S. Perry Clerk.

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Tenth month.

At South Kingstown Mon'ly Meeting of Friends held in Westerly tenth month twenty eighth 1927 the account from the Preparative Meeting states that the representatives to this meeting are Charles Perry and Mary L. T. Edgerton one, whom is present the other being unavoidably absent from the business meeting but present at the meeting for worship

Lydia E. Perry. Clerk.

Tenth month.

At South Kingstown Mon'ly Meeting of Friends held in Westerly tenth month twenty ~~ninth~~ 1927 the account from the Preparative meeting states that the representatives to this meeting are Thomas P. Nichols and Lucy W. Foster whose names being called both are present:

The Queries were read with answers to the first, second and tenth which we forward to the approaching Quarterly meeting by our friends Amos O. Foster, Mary L. T. Edgerton and Lucy W. Foster.

Lydia E. Perry. Clerk.

Eleventh month

At South Kingstown Monthly Meeting of Friends held in Westerly eleventh Month 23rd, 1927 the clerk being absent Lucy W. Foster is appointed clerk for the time. One of the representatives appointed to attend our late Quarterly Meeting reports that they were all in attendance

Lucy W. Foster (per L.P.)
clerk for the day

Twelfth Month.

At South Kingstown Monthly Meeting held in Westerly twelfth Month 28th 1927. The clerk being absent Lucy W. Foster was appointed clerk for the day. The account from the Preparative Meeting states that the representatives are Elizabeth Perry and Gertrude E. Foster, both are present—

Lucy W. Foster (per L.)
Clerk for the day.

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First month.

At South Kingstown Monthly Meeting of Friends held in Westerly the 26th of First Month 1928, the account from the Preparative Meeting states that Mary J. F. Edgerton and Sarah Hoxsie were appointed Representatives to this Meeting, whose names being called both are present.

The Queries were read with answers to the 1st, 2nd and 10th, which we forward to our approaching Quarterly Meeting by Obadiah Perry, Charles Perry and Thomas O Foster.

The attention of Friends was called to the Leaflet announcing the All Friends Conference to be held the same time as in 1929.

The Yearly Meeting Committee in charge of the revision of the Discipline encourage Friends to inform themselves on the subject by becoming acquainted with both our own Discipline and that of Philadelphia.

Lydia S Shapleigh Perry. Clerk.

Second month.

At South Kingstown Monthly Meeting of Friends held in Westerly 2nd. month 2nd 1928, the account from the Preparative Meeting states that the representatives to this meeting are Mary J. F. Edgerton, Charles Perry and Thomas P Nichols, whose names being called, all are present.

The Clerk reported that in accordance with the instructions from the Quarterly Meeting from the Quarterly Meeting held a telegram stating our opposition to the proposed navy Bill had been sent to Representative aldrich and an answer received. The Clerk was directed to send similar telegrams to both of the Rhode Island Senators and to the President in case the Bill should come before the Senate at anytime during the coming month

Lydia S. Perry Clerk.

Third month

At South Kingstown Monthly Meeting held in Westerly third month 2nd 1928, the account from the preparative meeting states that its Representatives to this meeting are Thomas P. Nichols and Mary J. F Edgerton, whose names being called both are present.

The Clerk reported that, by advice from certain Friends, letters had been sent to the President and to the R.I. Senators, as the Navy Bill has not yet come before the Senate

Lydia S. Perry Clerk.

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Fourth month.

At South Kingstown Monthly Meeting of Friends held in Westerly 4th month 25th. The account from the Preparative Meeting states that its representatives to this Meeting are— Mary J. F. Edgerton and Eunice B. Nichols who on their names being called both are present.

The Queries were read, with the answers thereto, which are forwarded to our approaching Quarterly Meeting by our Friends Charles Perry, Thomas P. Nichols and Elizabeth Perry and Anna A. Gardiner.

Phebe F. Perry described a project in which she is interested to organize a Nursery School for young children, and requested the Meeting to consider favorably the Lessons to be held in the basement of this Meeting House. The suggestion was approved and Percy W. Foster and Harvey C. Perry were appointed a committee to confer with the committee having charge of the proposed school.

Lydia S. Perry, clerk.

5th month.

At South Kingstown Monthly Meeting of Friends held in Westerly 5th month 30th 1928 the account from the Preparative Meeting states that its representatives to this meeting are Eunice B. Clarke, Charles Perry, and Mary J. F. Edgerton whose names being called all are present.

The representatives to our recent Quarterly Meeting report that all were in attendance.

Two applications for membership were received, one from Arthur L. and Alice Edge Perry for their minor child Patricia, and one from Harvey C. and Lydia Shapless Perry for their minor adopted child Beulah Marion Perry. Mary J. F. Edgerton and Percy W. Foster were appointed a committee to confer with these parents.

Phebe Perry reported that the plans for the Nursery School were progressing and that it is hoped the school may open in the latter part of the Ninth Month.

Elizabeth Perry announced that Caroline A. Wood is to speak on the second day of Yearly Meeting week on the subject of her recent experiences in Nicaragua. It was suggested that Friends be encouraged to

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the attendance at this meeting.

Considerable satisfaction was expressed on account of the recent failure of the navy bill to pass the Senate at this session.

Lydia S. Perry, Clerk.

Sixth Month.

At South Kingstown Monthly Meeting of Friends held in Westerly on the 27th of 6th month 1928 the account from the Preparative Meeting states that its representatives to this meeting are Charles Perry and Mary J. F. Edgerton, whose names being called both are present.

Mary J. F. Edgerton reported for the committee appointed last month that they had visited the parents applying for membership for their minor children, [illegible], and that they recommended that these be received. The meeting approved the report and Patricia Perry and Nicholas Mercer Perry are hereby recorded as members of this meeting. The committee was instructed to inform their parents of this action.

Lydia S. Perry, Clerk

Seventh Month

At South Kingstown Monthly Meeting of Friends held in Westerly the 25th of seventh month the account from the Preparative Meeting states that its representatives to this meeting are Mary J. F. Edgerton and Thomas P. Nichols whose names being called both are present

The queries were read with answers to the first, second and eleventh which we forward to our approaching quarterly meeting by our friends Anna A. Gardiner, Charles Perry, and Mary J. F. Edgerton.

Lydia S. Perry clerk.

Eighth Month

At South Kingstown Monthly Meeting of Friends held in Westerly eighth mo 29, the account from the Preparative Meeting states that its representatives to this meeting are Gertrude E. Foster and Mary J. F. Edgerton, whose names being called both are present.

The representatives to our late quarterly meeting report that all were in attendance

Lydia S. Perry - Clerk.

Ninth Month

At South Kingstown Monthly Meeting of Friends held in Westerly Ninth month 20th 1928 the account from the Preparative Meeting states that its representatives to this meeting are Gertrude E. Foster and Mary S. Hammond, whose names being called both are present.

Lydia S. Perry Clerk.

Tenth month.

At South Kingstown Monthly Meeting of Friends held in Westerly the 24th day of Tenth month, By account from the Preparative Meeting Charles Perry and Lucy W. Foster are representatives ~~to~~ this meeting whose names being called both are present.

The Queries have been read at this time with answers to the first second and last. We appoint as representatives to our approaching quarterly meeting Charles Perry, Lucy W. Foster and Anna C. Foster. Pro for the business claiming our attention we adjourn to meet in the eleventh month if so united

Phebe F. Perry - Clerk for the day
per L. S. P.

Eleventh month.

At South Kingstown Monthly Meeting of Friends held in Westerly eleventh month 28th the account from the Preparative Meeting states that its representatives to this meeting are Charles Perry and Anna C. Gardner, whose names being called both are present.

The Representatives to our late quarterly meeting report that all were in attendance except one who was detained by illness

Lydia S. Perry clerk.

Twelfth Month.

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First month.

at South Kings town Monthly Meeting of Friends held in Wester First Month 2nd 1929 the account from the Preparative meeting of Friends states that the representatives to this meeting are Charles Perry and Mary J. Edgerton, whose names being called both are present.

This Monthly Meeting was adjourned to the present date because of the funeral of Job S. Gidley which occurred on the Regular Monthly Meeting date and which was attended by many Friends

Owing to the frail health of those who attend mid-weekly meetings, and the fewness of members it is thought best to discontinue the mid-week meetings thru the winter and thru the inclement weather. Friends propose to meet again the first Fourth day in Fourth Month

Elizabeth Perry clerk for the day
per L.S.P.

Second month.

at South Kingstown Monthly Meeting of Friends held in Wester Second Month 27th. the account from the Preparative Meeting states that its representatives to this Meeting are ~~Emma~~ Mary S. Hamond and Lydia S. Perry whose names being called, one is present.

Lydia S. Perry clerk.

Third month

at South Kingstown Monthly Meeting of Friends held in Wester Third Month 27th. the account from the Preparative Meeting states that its representatives to this meeting are Anna A. Gardiner and Harvey C. Perry whose names being called one is present, the other being unavoidably absent

Lydia S. Perry clerk.

Fourth month

at South Kingstown Monthly Meeting of Friends held in Wester the 24th of Fourth Month 1929. The account from the Preparative Meeting, states that Hannah W. Webster and Eunice B. Nichols are representatives to this Meeting. One was present while the other was absent because of illness.

Amos O. Foster, Eunice B. Nichols and Elizabeth Perry were appointed as representatives to the approaching Quarterly Meeting by whom we forward the queries with their answers which have been read at this time.

An anxiety has been expressed that it

1929 would be best to discontinue our mid-week meeting until further notice since so few are able to attend because of ill health. This concern was united with.

Phebe Perry Clerk for the day
per L. S. P.

Fifth Month. At South Kingstown Monthly Meeting of Friends held in Wecket the 29th of Fifth Month 1929. The account from the Preparative Meeting states that its representatives to this meeting are Eunice B. Clark, Hannah W. Webster and Harvey C. Perry, whose names being called all are present.

The Preparative Meeting also suggests that Harvey C. Perry, Thomas P. Nichols and Phebe F. Perry be appointed a House Committee to have charge of the up-keep of the meeting-house and grounds. This suggestion was united with.

The Representatives to our late Quarterly Meeting report that all were in attendance.

Lydia S. Perry Clerk

Sixth Month. At South Kingstown Monthly Meeting of Friends held Sixth Month 26th 1929, the report from the Preparative Meeting being present it appears the representatives to this meeting are Amos A. Foster and Anna A. Gardiner. Both are present

The Clerk of this meeting being absent Mary F. H. Edgerton was clerk full day (per L. S. P.).

Seventh Month At South Kingstown Monthly Meeting of Friends held in Wecket, Seventh Month 24th of 1929. The account from the Preparative meeting states that its representatives to this meeting are Thos. P. Nichols and Elizabeth Perry, whose names being called both are present.

The Queries were read with and were to the first, second and tenth which we present to our approaching Quarterly Meeting by our friends:- Amos A. Foster, Phebe F. Perry, and Eunice B. Clark.

A concern was expressed that Emma F. Perry and Samuel C. Webster be appointed to the position of elder. This was fully united with and our representatives are instructed to

1929 bring this concern before the Quarterly Meeting. No further business claiming our attention we adjourn to meet at the regular time in the eighth month if permitted

Lydia S. Perry. Clerk.

Eighth Month

At South Kingstown Monthly Meeting of Friends held in Webster Eighth Month 28th 1929 the account from the Preparative meeting states that its representatives to this meeting are Eunice B. Clark and Anna A. Gardner whose names being called, both are present.

The Representatives to our late Quarterly Meeting report that all were present. The concern of this meeting that Emma F. Perry and Samuel C. Webster be appointed to the station of elder was brought before the Quarterly Meeting and was fully united with, and they are so appointed.

Lydia S. Perry. Clerk.

Ninth Month.

At South Kingstown Monthly Meeting of Friends held in Webster Ninth Month 25th. The account from the Preparative Meeting states that its representatives to this meeting are Edgerton Perry and Amos A. Foster, whose names being called both are present.

Lydia S. Perry-clerk.

Tenth Month.

At South Kingstown Monthly Meeting held Tenth month 30th; the account from the preparative Meeting states that its representatives to this Meeting are Anna A. Gardiner and Hannah W. Webster, whose names being called, both are present.

The Queries were read with answers to the first, second, tenth and eleventh, which we intend to approach Quarterly Meeting by Our Friends - Lydia S. Perry, Eunice B. Nichols and Samuel C. Webster.

Phebe F. Perry applied for membership in this meeting for her minor adopted children Nancy Lane Perry and Jacqueline Merle Perry. Hannah W. Foster and Lydia S. Perry were appointed a committee to report at our next monthly Meeting.

Sarah Hobson having requested a certificate of removal to Lisburn Monthly Meeting in County Down, Ireland, the clerk is instructed to forward the following, and to express the regret of this meeting to our friend at the loss of her membership with us.

To Willian Edwin Gibbons. Clerk of Lisburn Monthly Meeting.

Dear Friend.

Sarah Hobson a member of this meeting in good standing, having requested a certificate of removal to Lisburn Monthly Meeting, near which she now resides, this meeting ~~approves~~ that such a certificate be granted, and recommends her to your Christian care.

It was suggested that since this meeting has at present no Recorder some one be appointed to that office. The name of Clara Browning was suggested and her appointment fully approved.

Elizabeth Perry on behalf of the Peace Committee called the attention of Friends to a union meeting of the Churches of Westerly to be held on the evening of First day 11. 10, for which this Committee has secured as speaker Mr. Clarence R. Skinner, leader of the Boston community church. He will speak on disarmament Alice W. Gidley, and Millicent S. Foster who attended the late Friends conference at Oskaloosa will be with us on the afternoon of the same day and will tell Friends something about the conference. It is hoped to have a tea-meeting at the meeting house, in connection with this task.

Lydia S. Perry clerk.

Eleventh month

At South Kingstown Monthly Meeting of Friends held in Wesleyan Eleventh Month 27th. 1929. By the account from the Preparative meeting it appears that the Representatives to this Meeting are Anna A Gardner and Amos O. Foster. Both are present.

The representatives to our late Quarterly meeting report that all were in attendance.

The committee appointed at our last meeting to visit Phebe F. Perry report that they have conferred with her and recommend that her minor adopted children Nancy Jane Perry and Jacqueline Merle Perry be accepted as members of this meeting. The report was approved and they are so accepted.

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Eleventh month

A letter was read from Stephen Rushmore Chairman of the American Friends Service committee of New England suggesting that reports from Friends active in Service abroad be sent to our meeting at various times and asking whether such letters would be welcomed and read members. The meeting felt that such reports would fill a need and instructed Phebe Perry to request that they be sent.

Lydia S. Perry Clerk.

Twelfth month.

at South Kingston Monthly Meeting of Friends held in Wesley Twelfth Month 26th 1929 the account from the Preparative Meeting states that its representatives to this meeting are anna a gardner and Elizabeth Perry. Whose names being called with are present.

Phebe F. Perry reported that she had given the message as instructed to Mr. Rushmore and the reports from Friends active in Foreign Service would be sent two or three times during each winter.

Lydia S. Perry. Clerk.

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First month.

At South Kingstown Monthly Meeting of Friends held in Western First Month 29th. 1930, the account from the preparative meeting states that its representatives to this meeting are anna a. gardner, Samuel C Webster and Phebe F Perry. All are present.

The Queries were read with answers to the First, Second, tenth and eleventh which are forward to our approaching Yearly Meeting by the Friends - Thomas P. Nichols, anna a. gardner and Elizabeth Perry.

Lydia S. Perry Clerk

Second month

At South Kingstown Monthly Meeting of Friends held in Wesley Second Month 26 1930 the account from the Preparative meeting states that the representatives to this meeting are anna a gardner, Thomas P. Nichols and Alice E. Perry. All are present.

We are informed that the representatives to the Yearly Meeting were all in attendance

anna a. gardner Clerk pro tem

(Per L.S.P.)

Third month. at South Kingstown Monthly Meeting of Friends held in ~~Westerly~~ Third Month 26 1930 the account from the preparative meeting states that its representatives to this meeting are anna a gardiner and Elizabeth Perry whose names being called both are present.

Lydia S. Perry Clerk.

MEMORIALS

CHARLES PERRY

Our beloved friend Charles Perry, whose death occurred at his summer home at Weekapaug on 8th mo. 21st, 1929 at the age of 78 had been a life-long member of this Society, an elder for twenty-four years and a recorded minister since 1925.

He was born in Westerly 3rd mo. 3rd, 1851 the eldest son of Charles and Temperance (Foster) Perry. He was educated in Westerly and at Friends' School in Providence. His formal schooling ended when he began work as a banker at the age of seventeen. Vision, courage, and patience, combined in remarkable degree, account for the success that came to him as a banker, and as a director of diverse business and institutional affairs. The cause of temperance, library and park, chamber of commerce, schools, a public water works system, a life insurance company, and a hospital, as well as his bank, bear the impress of a personality rooted in faith, hope and charity, the Biblical forerunners of vision, courage and patience.

If we know a man by his works then the quotation, penned in Charles Perry's hand, which was found among the papers he was carrying, falls quite naturally into place, — "To get we must also give, to advance we must surrender, to gain we must lose, to attain we must resign. The person who seriously aims at any end which can be called good must surrender something and must reach beyond the bare "I" and "me."

The death of his much-loved wife, Clara Vickery (Foster) Perry, was to him a great and enduring sorrow.

For many years Charles and Clara Perry had earnestly desired to have Westerly provided with a good hospital. In his later years, undeterred by failing strength, Charles Perry's courage and enthusiasm were aflame. The townspeople caught his enthusiasm and the completion of the Hospital project was a cause of deep satisfaction.

Financial and charitable interests were with him the natural outcome of a deep religious experience and faith, not so much vocal as lived in his everyday life. The simplicity, dignity and sincerity of his personality and presence were deeply felt as he sat with us in our meetings for worship. Faithful in attendance and sensitive to the moving of the Spirit, our business meetings

welcomed the weight of his considered experience and sound judgment.

Though he carried through life a heavy load of responsibilities, he gladly helped with patient advice, wise counsel or pecuniary aid any who came to him in need. A man of true humility, his sterling qualities of mind and heart could not fail to leave a deep impression on those with whom he came in contact. His kindness and unselfishness were unfailing and unobtrusive.

In his modesty he would be distressed by eulogy. To a message of loving sympathy and appreciation sent to him at our last Yearly Meeting he said, "Tell them I feel that I am the least among them all."

PHEBE WILBUR PERRY BUFFUM

Our meeting and community sustained a great loss in the passing of our dear friend Phebe Wilbur Perry Buffum who died at her home in Westerly on First Month 2, 1930.

She was the younger daughter of Charles and Temperance (Foster) Perry, born Eleventh Month 2, 1855 and a member of this Society all her life. She married Frederick C. Buffum, Tenth Month 26, 1881 and had two children. With the exception of a few years spent in Florida, her home has been in Westerly, where she was well known as a devoted wife and mother, a gracious hostess, a helpful neighbor and a loyal member of the meeting.

Quiet, dignified and gentle, hers has been a welcome presence, the fragrance of whose steadfast daily life and loving sympathy is keenly missed.

The Communications and Epistle Committee submitted a General Epistle with the proposal that it be addressed by this Yearly Meeting to the meetings with

5th mo.

at South Kingstown Monthly Meeting of Friends held in Wesley Fifth month 28th 1930 The account from the Preparative Meeting states that its representatives to this meeting are Anna A. Gardner and Lydia T. Nichols whose names being called both are present.

Lydia S. Perry Clerk.

Sixth month

at South Kingstown Monthly Meeting of Friends held in Wesley Sixth month 25th 1930. The account from the Preparative Meeting states that its representatives to this meeting are Lucy W. Foster, Mary J. T. Edgerton and Thos. P. Nichols whose names being called all are present.

It was proposed and fully united with that Henry N. Perry be recorded as a minister and the clerk is directed to forward this suggestion to the Select Quarterly Meeting.

Lydia S Perry Clerk.

1930
Seventh Month

At South Kingstown Monthly Meeting of Friends held the 30th of 7th Month 1930. The account from the Preparative Meeting states that its representatives to this meeting are Anna A. Gardner and Hannah N. Metler and Samuel C. Metler. Whose names being called all are present. The meeting suggests that since there is but one preparative meeting within our monthly meeting, said meeting be laid down. This suggestion is united with and it is forwarded to our Quarterly Meeting for its consideration by our friends Eunice B. Clark, Mary E. Foster and Mary J. F. Edgerton and Anna S. Foster whom we appoint our representatives. The subject of appointing new overseers has been brought to the attention of the meeting and it has been decided to reappoint Amos D. Foster, Anne N. Chase and Bertha Perry and to appoint Hannah C. Perry and Elizabeth Perry to that service.
Third the queries have been read at this time.

Phebe F. Perry
Clerk for the day.

Eighth Month
1930

At South Kingstown Monthly Meeting of Friends held 8-27-1930 the representatives appointed to attend our last Quarterly Meeting were all in attendance. There being no further business to come before the meeting we adjourn.

Mary J. F. Edgerton
Clerk for the day.
Cn P. A. P.

Ninth Month
1930

At South Kingstown Monthly Meeting of Friends held 9-23-1930. The matter of reading the queries has been brought before the meeting and it has been decided to read the first five queries at the close of the First Day meeting preceding Quarterly Meeting in the 11th month and read the last five preceding Quarterly Meeting in the second month and read all the queries preceding the 6th month monthly meeting. At monthly meetings the queries shall be read each time. The first two queries have been read at this

time. There being no more business we
conclude.

Chas F. Terry
Clerk of the Day.

Twelfth Month
1930

At North Kingstown Monthly meeting held
in the month 29th 1930 there was
four teens present at this time.
Ethelyn Foster, Amos D Foster and Rufus
T Watson are appointed representatives to
our approaching Quarterly meeting.
Chas F. Terry.
Clerk of the Day.

Eleventh
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At South Kingstown Monthly Meeting
held the 26th of 11th month 1930 the
representatives appointed to attend the
Quarterly meeting report that all were
present and that a good time was had by
all. There was no business to come before
the meeting at this time. The 5th month
meeting to be held the 12th month

Chas F. Terry
Clerk for the day.

1931
Fourth
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At South Kingstown Monthly Meeting
held [illegible] 1931 there were [illegible]
present. [illegible] representatives to
Quarterly meeting.

There being no business to come before
the meeting at this time.

The meeting united in hearing minutes
read on the death of Rufus T. Watson
which were ordered to be sent to the
Quarterly meeting. Minutes to be sent to
the Yearly Meeting and to the United States
Friends Board.

The matter of appointing representatives
to Quarterly meeting was left with the
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We conclude.

Chas F. Terry
Clerk for the Day

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ing. The Clerk is directed to record the memorial in these minutes.

MEMORIAL

Arthur Perry, a beloved member and a recorded minister of South Kingstown Monthly Meeting, died at his home in Boston Eleventh Month 16th, 1930. He was born in Westerly Third Month 31st, 1857, the youngest child of Charles and Temperance Foster Perry. He was educated in the schools of Westerly, Phillips-Exeter Academy and Harvard College from which he was graduated in 1880. In 1882 he married Emma Foster, daughter of George and Clara Vickery Foster. To her and to their children he gave unbounded love and devotion.

After engaging in the banking business in Westerly for ten years Arthur Perry became an investment banker in Boston. There, as in his home town, he gave his forceful and magnetic personality to the service of varied movements for reform, relief and uplift. The causes of foreign missions, of education for youth of limited means and of temperance were always especially close to his heart, and to them he gave continually of his time and substance, placing behind them the full weight of his strong convictions.

Alfred Tennyson once said of one whom he dearly loved:

> Who reverenced his conscience as his king;
> Whose glory was redressing human wrong;
> Who spoke no slander, no, nor listened to it;
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> . . . . . but through all this tract of years
> Wearing the white flower of a blameless life
> Before a thousand peering littlenesses.

This describes Arthur Perry as we knew him, the man of conscience and the man of action. His action sprang so fearlessly from his conscience, and was taken in such fervor for the right, that people in all walks of life gladly followed his leadership. Clear as right and truth were to him, and intent as he was on advancing them, he was care-

ful to present his views with respect for the person who honestly differed with him. His discourse and his relations with his fellows were on a plane of knightly consideration. His courtesy was innate and spontaneous; his fearlessness was more often the result of the logic of a keen mind applied relentlessly to the question of where duty lay fo him.

Looked up to, admired and respected by all who kne him, and successful in business to an unusual degree, h kept his heart and spirit humble and in close touch wit the Giver of all good, regarding such gifts as a part of h stewardship.

In Meetings for worship his attitude of earnest waiting made him a channel for the Holy Spirit. Naturally reluctant to break the stillness and quiet worship of the Meeting, nevertheless, when prompted by the Spirit to do so, his message of the love of God for His children, was an inspiration to all. He was a man beloved by the Meeting in Westerly, of which he was a birthright membe by the Meeting in Cambridge, which he helped to form by Philadelphia Yearly Meeting in which he sat many times, and by the Meeting in Washington, where his efforts for the upbuilding of the Society made him well known. In the business meeting he was a tower of strength, giving wise and timely counsel. When the Yearly Meeting asked him to serve as its clerk, he accepted the duty without regard for the added care to an already overcrowded life, and so performed the service that all who attended the sessions while he was clerk were impressed by the unusual way in which businesslike firmness and dignity were combined with a very real spiritual concern for the covering of the Divine Spirit.

To Arthur Perry's children and grandchildren, to those of his own faith and practice, to those of every race and creed with whom he made so many joyous contacts, the memory of his personality will be as a shining light, as a lamp in the darkness showing the way to a deeper and fuller life.

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a Committee to confer with Margaret Perry and Paul Bruton and to report at our next meeting.

Three members of this meeting report that one of their number has conferred with Katherine Perry in the matter of marriage with Paul Bruton and to take place in the near future without the consent of the meeting. That the party reported to associate this expression of friendly interest and desire to retain membership in the Society.

Required to meet the last 4th Day of the 7th Month.

Phebe F. Perry
Clerk for the Day.

Seventh Month
1931

At South Hingham Monthly Meeting held the 26th of 7 mo 1931. The Committee appointed to confer with Katherine Perry and Paul Bruton as to their intention of marriage, report that they have performed this service and that the parents are desirous that their child be footed under the care and guidance of Friends. The Committee recommend that she be accepted into membership with us and it is united with.

The Committee appointed to interview Margaret Perry and Paul Bruton as to their intention of marriage, report that they have performed this service and that no obstacle is found in the way of the marriage proceeding in accordance with our discipline. The meeting unites with the report and expresses its satisfaction that the marriage is to take place in accordance with our custom. The 4th day of the month 2nd at 3:30 in the afternoon in this house is the date and place for the meeting.

Emma B. Fisher, Jam. Perry and Hannah Prentice are appointed representatives to our approaching Quarterly Meeting.

Adjourned to the last 4th Day in the 9th Month.

Phebe F. Perry
Clerk for the Day

1931
Ninth Month

At Tenth Mo. Monthly Meeting held 9-23-1931 - Minute 15. Minute adopted that the representatives to the Quarterly Meeting be all in attendance.

Thomas T. Nichols reported that the marriage of Margaret Terry and Paul Preston had been conducted to the satisfaction of this meeting with dignity and propriety and that there was felt to be present there the guiding hand of our Heavenly Father. The certificate was read & ordered recorded in the office of the Town Clerk.

The third and fourth queries were read at this meeting.

Lydia L. Terry Pro P.T.P.
Clerk.

Tenth Month 1931

At Tenth Mo. Monthly meeting held 10-28-1931 - Thomas T. Nichols and Amos D. Tabor were appointed to attend the approaching Quarterly Meeting.

The meeting adjourned in sympathy with the work of the American Friends Service Committee in its work in the Near East and Russia and Minute Members believe it advisable to assist in the collection and packing of garments to be sent there. Alice Edgerton is Chairman of the Committee having this in charge.

Paul T. Terry at the request of the Monthly Meeting Committee asked the privilege of using the downstairs room of this meeting house for their meetings. The meeting approved this and left the necessary arrangements in the hands of the House Committee.

The fifth and sixth queries were read at this meeting.

Adjourned to meet in the 11th month at the usual time.

Lydia L. Terry - Pro P.T.P.
Clerk.

Eleventh Month 1931

At the Eleventh Monthly meeting held 11th month 25. 1931 - Amos D. Tabor on behalf of the representatives to the Quarterly meeting reported that they were in attendance. The seventh and eighth queries have been read at this time.

The Committee reported in caring for the West Virginia and Illinois Women under direction of the American Friends Service Committee of the

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First Month 1932

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Third Month 1932

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1932 committee to confer with Lydia Pinkham and report at a future sitting.

A letter was read from the Young Friends Committee on Military Training suggesting the creation of conscientious objectors to war. The clerk is directed to write that two young people from this meeting have been cited to Local Boards.

Adjourned to meet in the 7th month.

Alice T. Terry
Clerk

Sixth month 1932

At South Kingstown monthly meeting held 6th month 28th 1932. The committee appointed to confer with Lydia E. Pinkham reports that it had a very satisfactory talk with her and although not taking her into membership, nothing still remains to be done with this effort and she is accepted as a member of this meeting.

The fifth and sixth queries have been read. Adjourned to meet in the seventh month.

Alice F. Terry
Clerk.

Seventh Month 1932

At South Kingstown monthly meeting held the 26th of 10th month 1932 the seventh and eighth queries have been read. Samuel C. Webster, Ruth D. Foster and Lucy W. Foster are appointed representatives of our approaching quarterly meeting.

Two communications have been read from Blanche Rowland asking for our concurrence and recommendation in the hope to visit religious services at the Old Smithfield meeting house in Mass. during the summer. Our meeting was united with appreciative sympathy of the endeavors to hold the meetings conducted under the direction of the general monthly meetings of Friends in New England and with this end in view it reluctantly offers Friend Thomas D. Webb to use a free will offering as they may open it

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MEMORIAL

Mary Jane Foster Edgerton, an elder of South Kingstown Monthly Meeting, died at her home in Westerly Third Month 3d, 1933. She was born in Warwick, Rhode Island, Third Month 24th, 1851, the daughter of Jeremiah and Mialma Kenyon Foster. In 1916 she was married to Jesse Edgerton and moved to Ohio where she lived until her husband's death. In 1926 she returned to Rhode Island. Mary Edgerton was always a devoted member of the Society of Friends, taking an active part in the conduct of meetings. For several years she was assistant clerk of New England Yearly Meeting and as long as her health permitted served as clerk of the Select Meeting. Her desire was to be of service to others, giving herself freely to the care of the sick and the suffering wherever the need might be greatest. In considering her life the words of Christ come to mind, when he said, "Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto me."

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At South Kingstown Monthly Meeting held the 26th of 4th month 1933

The memorial to Mary Jane Foster Carpenter was presented by the Overseers of this meeting and it being signed with a roll is forwarded to the Quarterly Meeting and Yearly Meeting.

The minute and the queries have been read. The supplementary Advices and Queries have been read, and the Overseers have been read, and it was forwarded to our Representatives to the Yearly Meeting by Thomas C. Gardner.

A letter from Mary S. Barnes was read after which the meeting proceeded to the selection of a Clerk for the ensuing year. Philip Wilcox. The meeting then proceeded to the selection of a recording clerk and Anne A. Gardner was appointed. A committee to confer with Philip C. Barnes and report at a later meeting.

A letter has been read of a meeting of all Friends in this neighborhood to be held in Providence 4th month 19th 1933. There will be a meeting for worship at 11:30 A.M. in the Providence Meeting House, followed by lunch and an opportunity for visiting. The Friends have expressed a desire that as many Friends may attend in order that the Friendly spirit of the Yearly meetings may become better established.

Adjourned to the last 4th day in the Sixth Month

Alice F. Story
Clerk.

Sixth Month
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At South Kingstown Monthly Meeting held the 28th of Sixth Month 1933

The minute and queries have been read at this time. Anne A. Gardner was appointed Clerk for the ensuing year. The Committee appointed to confer with Philip C. Barnes reported that he would accept the appointment. The Committee appointed at the last meeting to confer with Thomas C. Gardner reported that he would accept the appointment. The Clerk is instructed to inform Mary Barnes that Philip Wilcox is appointed

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A letter was read from Thomas and Margaret Perry requesting membership for their daughter Phoebe Elizabeth Perry. A committee was appointed to interview the parents and report at a future meeting.

Adjourned to the first 4th Day in the Seventh Month.

Phebe F. Perry
Clerk.

Seventh Month
1933

at South Kingstown Monthly Meeting held the 26th of 7th month 1933 the first and second queries have been read. The Committee appointed to interview Thomas and Margaret Perry as their daughter, Phoebe Elizabeth, presenting a request of this meeting, report that they held a satisfactory interview and are united in suggesting that Phoebe Elizabeth shall be accepted into membership with us. This report is united with and she is accepted.

Letters have been read from two of the delegates sent by this Yearly Meeting Peace Committee to the Williamsburg Conference expressing their duty, appreciation of the conference and their gratitude to friends for providing same.

Anna D. Foster Hannah P. Slater and Phebe F. Perry are appointed representatives to the approaching Quarterly Meeting.

Adjourned to the usual time on the 4th month.

Phebe F. Perry
Clerk

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at the [illegible] Monthly Meeting held the 27th of the [illegible] month 1933 the reports of [illegible] to attend the Quarterly Meeting report that all were in attendance. The minutes of the [illegible] were read at this time.

The Committee has been released in regard to [illegible] who [illegible] for the present time from attendance of this meeting. Minute is entered with the request that [illegible] that every way

1933-4 year in the near future.
Adjourned to the Tenth Month
Phebe F. Penny
Clerk

Tenth Month 1933 At Tenth Wilmington Monthly Meeting held the 25th of Tenth Month 1933. The fifth and sixth queries have been read.

Eunice B. Clark and Phebe F. Penny are appointed representatives to the approaching Quarterly Meeting.

The First Day School Committee reports that it plans to start the 1st Day School the 29th inst.

The Peace Committee reports that it is working in cooperation with the Yearly Meeting of Friends for New England and with the Women's League for Peace and Freedom to present a display of peace literature to the Teachers Institute in Wilmington on 10th month 26-27th. Adjourned to the usual time in the First Month.

Phebe F. Penny
Clerk.

First Month 1934 At Tenth Wilmington Monthly Meeting of Friends held the 24th of 1st month 1934. The seventh and eighth queries have been read. Phebe F. Penny, Thomas P. Nichols and Eunice B. Nichols are appointed representatives to our approaching Quarterly Meeting.

Alice Crawford reported that the 1st Day School No. meeting regularly with the children shown great interest and response. The meeting expressed great sympathy with this work and appreciation of the services which are being given.

The Peace Committee reports that they have purchased a permanent peace exhibit which will be used for peace education in the schools throughout the state.

Adjourned to the Third Month.

Phebe F. Penny
Clerk.

1934.
Third month

At South Kingstown Monthly Meeting held the 25th of fourth month 1934. The 9th and 10th queries have been read, the latter very carefully. Elmer F. Perry and Eunice M. Hazard are appointed representatives to the Quarterly Meeting. Adjourned to the 7th month.

Elmer F. Perry
Clerk

Seventh Month 1934

At South Kingstown Monthly Meeting held the 27th of 7th Month 1934. The 1st and 2nd queries have been read at this time.

A letter was read from Thomas P. Nichols the present treasurer of this meeting for the past thirty-five years asking to be relieved from this service. The meeting regretfully accepts his resignation with deep appreciation of his years of faithful work. The name of Frederick C. Shattuck has been suggested as his successor and, if being wanted with, he is appointed to that service.

The formation of a budget committee to advise with the treasurer has been suggested and Thomas P. Nichols and Thomas Perry have been named as members.

Harry C. Perry and Lucy N. Potter have been appointed representatives to the next Quarterly Meeting.

Adjourned to meet in the 9th month

Elmer F. Perry
Clerk

Tenth Month 1934

At South Kingstown Monthly Meeting held the 24th of 10th month 1934. The third and fourth queries have been read.

A suggestion has been received by this meeting from Oak Grove School Lassell Corner Maine that Phyllis Elizabeth Perry a member of this meeting who is at school there be given a minute of certificate to the Oak Grove Monthly Meeting. Phyllis's request having been presented to this meeting it is united with and the clerk is directed to fill and sign a minute prepared on behalf of the meeting and

1934-5 forward to be had since Monthly Meeting.

The question has been made that the Monthly Meeting be held following the first Day morning meetings for worship on the last 1st Day of the month, or such months as may be designated. The matter having been thoroughly discussed, it is united with.

Thomas P. Taylor and ?? wife are appointed representatives to the approaching Quarterly Meeting.

Adjourned to the last 1st Day in the 12th month.

Sheldon F. Perry
Clerk

Twelfth Month 1934

At the regular Monthly Meeting held the 30th of 12th month 1934. The 5th and 6th queries have been read. A letter has been received by this meeting from the parents of Emily Stowe requesting membership for her in this Meeting. Alice Elgar Perry and Elizabeth Perry are appointed to interview Sr. Harold and Elizabeth Darnell for advice and report at a future sitting.

Elizabeth Perry on behalf of the Peace Committee reported on the Annual exhibition of Peace literature which took place at Peace Institute in Philadelphia and is being spread to schools throughout the state. The attention of the meeting was also called to certain books and periodicals on the peace subject.

A suggestion was made that a quiet room be provided for the Meeting House. To be left in the possible so that we may have a record of the visits of out of town friends. The treasurer is authorized to buy such books and leaves at the Meeting House.

Adjourned to the 1st 1st Day in the 1st month

Sheldon F. Perry
Clerk

1935
Fourth month

At South Kingstown Monthly Meeting held the 27th of the 4th month 1935. The Seventh and Eighth queries have been read.

A communication was read from Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting informing the meeting of the proposed union with Sandwich Quarterly Meeting under the name of "Rhode Island and Sandwich Quarterly Meeting." The first session will take place on the 4th month 1935 at Mt Hamilton R. I.

It is Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting is the 2nd month as appointed Eliza B. Nichols and Thos Perry appointed representatives.

Adjourned to the 1st First Day in the Third month.

Thos F. Perry
Clerk.

Third month
1935

At South Kingstown Monthly Meeting held the 31st of 3rd month 1935 - the Seventh and Eighth queries have been read.

Alice Edes Perry reported favorably on the application of Dr. Harford and Elizabeth Carpenter to their Daughter - Emily Steere to join this meeting and the meeting unites in accepting her into membership.

The representatives appointed to attend Rhode Island and Sandwich Quarterly Meeting to be held in Mt Hamilton the 13th of 4th month are Thos F. Perry and Alice Edes Perry.

Adjourned to the 1st Day in the Sixth month.

Elizabeth Perry
Clerk for the day

Sixth month
1935

At South Kingstown Monthly Meeting held the 30th of 6th month 1935. The First and second queries have been read. The supplementary queries with answers to each have been received and forwarded them to our approaching Quarterly Meeting by our friends Eunice S. Hazard and Esther Foster whom we appoint our representatives.

The representatives to the 2nd Quarterly Meeting reported that both were in attendance and that the first meeting of Rhode Island and Sandwich Quarterly Meeting

1935 was well attended and of unusual interest.

A letter was read from Anne Gilley Storey suggesting subjects for discussion at the after-noon of Yearly Meeting Day at North Dartmouth in the Seventh Month & adjourned to the last First Day of the Ninth Month.

Phebe F. Perry
Clerk.

9th Month 1935 At South Kingstown Monthly Meeting of Friends held the 29th of 9th Month 1935. The Third and fourth queries have been read at this time. A letter was read from the clerk of New England Yearly meeting advising us that four members of this meeting should be appointed by the meeting to serve as members of the meeting for Sufferings. In accordance with this advice we appoint: Thomas Perry and Mary H. Darnell to serve for six years and William S. Nichols and Frederick C. Buffum to serve for three years.

Elizabeth Perry, Mary S. Darnell and Harry C. Perry are appointed representatives to the approaching Quarterly meeting.

Adjourned to the last First Day in the 12th Month.

Phebe F. Perry
Clerk.

12th Month 1935 At South Kingstown Monthly meeting held the 29th of 12th month -1935- The I Fifth and Sixth queries have been read also the the advices -or indicated in the Discipline.

Thomas C. Nichols and Harry Perry are appointed representatives to our approaching Quarterly meeting.

Alice Edge Perry, Elizabeth Perry and Phebe Perry are appointed to serve as a committee on arrangements for the Quarterly meeting.

Notice was given of a meeting at Westerly School at which the Principal James A. Watson will speak to be held 1st month 5th 1936.

No further business claiming our attention we conclude to meet the last First Day in the Third Month.

Phebe F. Perry. Clerk

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Third Month 1936

At South Kingstown Monthly Meeting held the 29th of 3rd month 1936. The Seventh and Eighth Queries have been read at this time Elizabeth Perry and Alice E. Perry are appointed representatives to the approaching Quarterly Meeting.

Thomas F. Nichols reported for the representatives to the Quarterly Meeting in 4th month that the meeting was well attended and that the afternoon session on the subject of the Friends Service work in the Tennessee Valley was of great interest.

No further business being on the table - we conclude to meet the last First Day in the Sixth month.

Phebe F. Perry
Clerk.

Sixth Month 1936

At South Kingstown Monthly meeting held the 28th of 6th month 1936. The ninth and tenth Queries have been read. A letter was read from the Friends Fellowship Group of Providence expressing their feeling of love and interest in all groups of Friends and also invited us. The Clerk is instructed to frame a reply conveying our sympathetic feeling toward the Friends and present it at a later sitting.

A cordial invitation was also read from Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting held at Providence to attend the sessions of the Yearly Meeting of Friends for New England to be held at Ocean Park Maine - 6th month 23 - 28th. The Clerk is instructed to thank the Meeting for the kind invitation.

As the answers to the supplementary queries are not ready at this time - we conclude to meet one week from to-day - when they will be considered.

Phebe Perry
Clerk.

Seventh Month - By adjournment 1936

At South Kingstown Monthly Meeting held the 5th of 7th month by adjournment from the 28th of 6th month. The Supplementary Queries have been read, with answers to each as prepared by the Overseers and we forward them to our approaching Quarterly Meeting by our Friends Charles Perry and Elizabeth Perry whom we appoint as our representatives.

An answer as prepared by the Clerk - to the letter from the Fellowship Group at Brown School was read and united with and is

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directed to be sent to the correspondent for that meeting.

A representative to the last quarterly meeting held at East Greenwich reported that the meeting was a great interest, about sixty people were present in the morning and the afternoon a very interesting paper about Nantucket Monthly Meeting was read.

No further business claiming our attention we conclude to meet the last 1st Day in the ninth month.

Phebe F. Perry
Clerk

9th month 1936

At South Kingstown Monthly Meeting held the 11th of 10th month 1936 the first and second queries have been read at this time.

A letter was read from Harry C. Perry announcing his intention of marriage with Julianna R. Tatum of Hartford Monthly Meeting, Hartford, Pa. and asking for a certificate of clearness addressed to the Clerk of this meeting. His request is approved and the Clerk is directed to forward such a certificate.

Ethel M. Tefft and Alice Edg. Perry are appointed representatives to the next Quarterly Meeting.

Elizabeth Perry reported that the Peace Quarterly Meeting held at North Dartmouth in the 11th month had been well attended and that an interesting letter from Albert Martin in Germany had been read and was followed by discussion of studies in preparation for the World Friends Conference to be held in 1937.

Adjourned to meet at the call of the Clerk.

Phebe F. Perry
Clerk.

11th month 1936

At a special meeting of South Kingstown Monthly Meeting held the 10th of 11th month 1936 a letter was read from Esther Winsor Schell of Cambridge, Mass requesting membership in our meeting. The application is well received and Henry H. Perry and Phebe F. Perry are appointed to interview her and report at a future sitting.

Elizabeth Perry for the Peace Committee reports Friends to circulate Peace Campaign pledges

1936-37 by the Emergency Peace Campaign.
Phebe F. Perry
Clerk.

Twelfth Month 1936 At South Kingstown Monthly meeting held the 27th of 12th Month 1936 - the third and fourth Queries have been read - followed by the advices.

The plans for Quarterly Meeting were discussed and Thomas Perry and Elizabeth Perry were appointed a Committee to obtain speaker for the after-noon.

Alice Perry, Phebe Perry and Marjorie B. Taylor are appointed to have charge of the luncheon and arrangements.

A letter was read from Henry Perry expressing the approval of the Committee appointed to interview Esther W. Schell, of her coming to this meeting. The meeting unites with this report and she is received into membership with us.

Spencer B. Nichols and Thomas Perry are appointed representatives to the Quarterly Meeting

Phebe F Perry
Clerk

1937 Third Month At South Kingstown Monthly Meeting held the 25th of 3rd Month, 1937 - the fourth and sixth Queries have been read at this time.

Mary H. Darnell and Elizabeth Perry are appointed representatives to the approaching Quarterly meeting.

On behalf of the Peace Committee Elizabeth Perry read extracts from a letter from the Friends Service Committee telling of ways in which we can all work for peace.

Notice was given of the New England Regional Conference to be held at Moses Brown School. Providence - 9th Month 11th - 13th.

Phebe F Perry
Clerk.

Seventh Month 1937 At South Kingstown Monthly Meeting held the 4th of 7th Month 1937 - the Seventh and eighth queries have been read at this time.

Harvey C. Perry and Elizabeth Perry are appointed representatives to the approaching Quarterly Meeting

1937. A letter from Nathan S. Talbot of Brookline Mass. requesting membership in South Kingstown Monthly meeting has been read. Thomas Perry and Rebecca Hutton Perry are appointed a committee to visit him and report at a future sitting.

A letter from Elizabeth Cross of Oskaloosa Countersigned by her mother-Lucy Wilbur Cross - requesting membership in this meeting has been read - and Thomas Perry and Mary S. Samuel are appointed a Committee to talk with her and report later.

A report was read from the Program Committee of the Regional Conference -

Rhoda F. Perry
Clerk.

Eighth Month 1937 At a special meeting of South Kingstown monthly meeting held the 27th of the 8th Month 1937 - the committee appointed to talk with Elizabeth Cross as to her joining our meeting reports that it is united in feeling that she should be accepted into membership. The meeting unites with this report and she is so accepted.

The application for membership of Nathan S. Talbot of Brookline Mass. was also referred from the committee appointed at the previous meeting. The Committee to whom this was referred is well united in his becoming a friend, both by temperament and association and recommend his acceptance. The meeting unites with this report and he is received into membership with us.

A message was read from students living in various parts of the world urging them to work for universal peace. It is hoped the United States neutrality laws in the Sino-Japanese conflict

Friends who are planning to attend the Regional Conference in Providence 9th month 11-12th are asked to send in their applications at once.

Rhoda F. Perry Clerk

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Tenth Month 1937

At South Kingstown Monthly Meeting of Friends held 10th month 3rd " 1937 - Ethel Foster and Elizabeth Perry are appointed representatives to attend the approaching Quarterly Meeting. Elizabeth Perry reported upon Peace activities for the coming winter.

Thelma F. Perry
Clerk

First Month 1938

At South Kingstown Monthly Meeting held the 2nd of First Month 1938. The Postal queries have been read at this time as well as the advices.

A communication has been received from Hartford Monthly informing us that Julianne R. Perry has requested that meeting to grant her a certificate of removal to South Kingstown Monthly meeting. The meeting granted her such a certificate and she is recommended to our Christian care.

Mary Daniel and Julianne Perry are appointed representatives to the approaching Quarterly meeting.

Thelma Perry, Alice Edge Perry and Frederick C. Buffum are appointed a committee to have charge of arrangements for the Quarterly meeting.

Thelma F. Perry
Clerk

2nd Month. 1938

At South Kingstown Monthly Meeting held 2nd " Month 13th " 1938 - a letter was read from Priscilla Perry Hall of Chestnut Hill, Mass. requesting membership for her three minor sons, Arthur Perry Hall, George Atwater Hall and Howland Porter Hall. This meeting appoints Henry T. Perry and Rebecca Hutton Perry a committee to confer with the parents of these children and report at a later sitting.

A letter was read from Elizabeth Willets West of Germantown Pa. requesting that a certificate of removal be forwarded for her from this meeting to Germantown Monthly meeting and Ordered that. Elizabeth Perry and Henry C. Perry are appointed a committee to ascertain that the way is open for sending such a certificate and to report at a future sitting.

Thelma F. Perry Clerk

Third Month 1938

At South Kingstown monthly meeting held the 27th of Third Month 1938. A letter to this meeting from Rebecca H. Perry and Henry H. Perry informing of their approval after due consideration of accepting into membership with us. George Atwater, Esther Perry and Howland Porter Hall. The meeting fully unites with this report and they are accepted as members of this meeting.

A report from the committee appointed to approach Hopedale monthly meeting as to the transference of the certificate of Elizabeth Willet West reports that unity was expressed on the part of Hopedale meeting and that the certificate of removal is being forwarded.

Harry C. Perry and Thomas Nichols are appointed representatives to the approaching quarterly meeting.

Phebe F. Perry
Clerk.

1938 Seventh Month

At South Kingstown monthly meeting held the 10th of Seventh Month, 1938. The 9th and 10th queries have been read at this time also the supplementary queries with answers to each.

We forward them to our approaching quarterly meeting by Thomas Perry and Phebe F. Perry whom we appoint our representatives.

Phebe F. Perry
Clerk.

1938 Tenth Month 2nd

At South Kingstown monthly meeting of Friends held the 2nd of 10th month 1938 the first two queries have been read at this time. Elizabeth Perry and Ethel Foster are appointed representatives to the next Quarterly meeting.

Phebe F. Perry
clerk.

1938 Tenth month 16th

At South Kingstown monthly meeting held the 16th of Tenth month 1938

We appoint William S. Nichols and Phebe F. Perry to serve as members of the meeting for Sufferings for the six year period ending in 1944.

Thomas Perry and Eunice B. Clark are appointed a committee to consider the nomination of additional members to the meeting for ministers and elders.

Clerk for the Day.

1939
First month

At South Kingstown monthly meeting held the 1st of 1st month 1939. The 3rd and 4th queries have been read at this time. Thomas Perry, on behalf of the committee to consider nominations to the Select meeting reported that the committee was united in suggesting the names of Elizabeth M. Chace and Anna Evelyn Foster as elders. These nominations are united with by the meeting and the clerk is instructed to forward them to the Quarterly meeting for ministers and elders. Thomas Perry, Hadley Perry and Mary H. Dawson are appointed representatives to the Quarterly meeting to be held in Cambridge on 1st month 21st.

Charles F. Perry
Clerk.

3rd month
1939

At South Kingstown monthly meeting held the 26th of 3rd month 1939 a communication was read from the clerk of Rhode Island and Providence Quarterly meeting expressive the unity of that meeting with the appointment of Elizabeth M. Chace and Anna Evelyn Foster to the station of elders.

The fifth and sixth queries have been read at this time.

Elizabeth Perry, Mary H. Dawson and Thomas Perry are appointed a committee to have charge of the arrangements for the Quarterly meeting to be held in 4th month.

Eunice B. Nichols and William J. Nichols are appointed representatives to the Quarterly meeting

" Charles F. Perry.
Clerk.

Seventh month
1939

At South Kingstown monthly meeting held the 9th of 7th month 1939 - the queries and advices have been read and considered.

A letter was read from the chairman of the Peace and Social Order Committee of the New England Young Friends Committee enclosing queries and advices on the subject of Peace and the Social Order. This meeting is interested in the communication and is heartily sympathetic with its point of view. The clerk is instructed to convey to the committee our sympathetic interest.

Charles Perry and Mary H. Dawson are appointed representatives to the Quarterly meeting to be held in North Dartmouth on 7th month 15th.

Charles F. Perry
Clerk.

Tenth Month 1939

at South Kingstown Monthly Meeting held the 11th of Tenth Month 1939 the Tenth and Tenth Queries have been read. A letter was read from Daniel Oliver of Syria with a covering letter from Hubert Cooper, telling of conditions in Palestine and of the work of the Oliver Orphanage and asking for financial support

Thomas Nichols and Thomas Perry are appointed representatives to the Quarterly Meeting.

Phebe F. Perry
Clerk.

Twelfth Month 1939

at South Kingstown Monthly Meeting held the 31st of 12th Month 1939 - the First and Second Queries have been read Harvey C. Perry and Thomas Nichols are appointed representatives to the Quarterly Meeting.

Phebe Perry
Clerk.

1940
Fourth Month

at South Kingstown Monthly Meeting held the 14th of 4th Month 1940. The Third and Fourth Queries have been read Julianna P. Perry and Mary H. Dargel are appointed representatives to the Quarterly Meeting.

Julianna Perry reports that she and Harvey Perry attended a meeting in New Haven on Fourth Month 7th where Friends from different sections of New England were in attendance. The New Haven Meeting belongs to the Friends Fellowship Council and is appealing to a wide circle of concerned people in New Haven. The interest of the meeting was asked for in this group and there is the Connecticut Valley.

Phebe F. Perry
Clerk.

Fifth Month 1940

at a special meeting held Fifth Month 12th 1940 - a letter to the Clerk of this meeting from Esther Winslow Schell and Milliam Moon was read, requesting that the meeting grant them leave to proceed with their plans for marriage after the manner and under the care of Friends The meeting appoints Julianna P. Perry and Mary H. Dargel to inquire into the clearness of Esther Schell and Thomas Perry and Frederick C. Sheffman to perform the same service for Milliam Moon The meeting is appointed for 5th Month

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19th when the reports of these Committees will be heard and acted upon.

Thelo F. Perry
Clerk.

5 Month 1940

A special meeting of South Kingstown Monthly Meeting convened, but as the reports of the Committees appointed at a previous session were not completed, the meeting is adjourned to 7/5th Month 26th

Thelo F. Perry
Clerk.

7/5th Month 1940

At a special meeting of South Kingstown Monthly Meeting held 5th Month 26th the Committees appointed to enquire into the clearness of William Rider and Esther Winslow Shell to marry, report that they have consulted with friends and relatives of both young people. No obstructions appear and the marriage is therefore approved. The meeting unites with this report and appoints 7/5th Day. Sixth Month 6th at 4:15 in the afternoon at 67 Francis Ave, Cambridge, Mass. as the time and place for the meeting at which the marriage may take place. Harry and Thomas Perry, Julianna and Thelo Perry are appointed to have oversight of the marriage and to see that it is carried out in accordance with our discipline. Henry H. Perry is appointed Clerk for the day of the Monthly Meeting to see that all legal requirements are complied with

Thelo F. Perry
Clerk.

Sixth Month 1940

At South Kingstown Monthly Meeting held the 30th of Sixth Month 1940. the Committee appointed to have oversight of the marriage of William Rider and Esther W. Shell on 6th Month 6th report that the ceremony was conducted in accordance with Friends Customs and in a way satisfactory to the Committee who were all in attendance.

A letter to the Monthly Meeting from Clarence Pickett, executive secretary of the American Friends Service Committee has been read, setting the work of the Committee in the present emergency and asking for financial support. The meeting unites in approving the collection of Monthly Contributions and appoints Charles Perry to act as collector and to receive information

about the work of the service Committee.

Alice Perry reported for the Sewing Committee that 40 yards of flannel has been bought and seven complete layettes have been finished with six garments in each set. The sewing takes place in the basement of the meeting house on Third and Sixth Day after-noons from 2:30 until 5:00.

Harvey C. Perry and Ethel Foster are appointed representatives to the Quarterly meeting The Fifth and Sixth Queries have been read.

Phebe F. Perry
Clerk.

9th Month 1940

At South Kingstown Monthly meeting held the 29th of 9th month 1940 - The Seventh and Eighth Queries have been read.

Harvey C. Perry reported that a special meeting of the meeting for Sufferings was held in Providence on 9th month 16th A Committee of five was appointed to have charge of the problems of the Conscientious Objectors arising from the draft legislation and to help them in every way possible.

Julianna Perry read a letter from Jessie Radley Carter of the World Consultative Committee asking for answers to a questionaire sent out by the Committee relative to making the Consultative Committee of more use to the Society in general and to our meeting in particular. There was general discussion and some suggestions as to answers with a recommendation for more consultation before the final answers are formulated.

The representatives appointed to the Quarterly Meeting in 10th month are Elizabeth Perry and Mary H. Dameral.

Phebe F. Perry
Clerk.

1st Month 1940

At South Kingstown Monthly meeting held the fifth of 1st month - 1941 - The ninth and tenth queries have been read at this time.

Alice Edge Perry and Harvey C. Perry are appointed representatives to the Quarterly meeting

Phebe F. Perry
Clerk.

1941.
Third month

At South Kingstown monthly meeting held the 30th of 3rd month 1941. The first and second queries have been read.

Julianna Perry, Marjorie Taylor and Phebe Perry are appointed a Committee of arrangements for the Quarterly meeting to be held here in 4th month.

Thomas Perry and Marjorie Taylor are appointed representatives to the Quarterly meeting.

Phebe F. Perry
Clerk.

Fifth month
1941

At a special monthly meeting held the 25 of 5th month 1941 an application for membership in this meeting was read from Deane and Marie H. Allen of Groton, Conn. which was accompanied by letters of release from the church in which the applicants have been members. Gratitude that these friends wish to join us has been expressed in this meeting and Thomas Perry and Mary H Dannell are appointed a Committee to confer with them and report at a later meeting.

Phebe F. Perry
Clerk.

Seventh month
1941

At Scotty Kingstown monthly meeting held the 6th of 7th month 1941 the Committee appointed to confer with Deane and Marie H. Allen as to their joining this meeting reports that it has met with the Allens and that it is united in recommending them for membership. The meeting concurs in the report and they are accepted as members of this meeting.

A letter of application for membership in this meeting was read from Caroline Reeves Foulke Urie of New London, Conn. Julianna Perry and Phebe F. Perry are appointed to interview Caroline Urie and report back to this meeting.

Edward A. Steiner of Grinnell Iowa and Clara Elizabeth Perry of Peterly have sent to this meeting an application of their intention of marriage and a request that it be accomplished under the care of this meeting. Thomas Perry and Mary H. Dannell are appointed a Committee to confer with the applicants and report at a later sitting.

The Clerk presented a request from the

American Friends Service Committee
2 Stimson Avenue
Providence, Rhode Island 02906
Telephone: (401) 751-4488

Position Available: Peace Intern

Starting Date: September 6, 1977

Length of Appointment: One year, non-renewable

Stipend: $200 per month, plus free accomadations

Application Deadline: Friday, July 15, 1977

The position of Peace Intern is a one-year training, or apprenticeship, program for a person interested in pursuing a career in peace education or social change. AFSC seeks for this position someone with a demonstrated interest in peace and social change work. The Peace Intern will receive a subsistence stipend of $200 per month ($2400 per year) and will be given a place to live free of charge in the home of an AFSC supporter in or near Providence.

During the course of the year, the Peace Intern will gain experience in a wide range of social change organizing skills, including the following: fund-raising, maintaining a mailing list, mimeographing, preparing material for offset printing, publishing a newsletter, holding a press conference, writing press releases, speaking publicly at schools or before community groups, organizing public protests, vigils or demonstrations, and organizing letter-writing campaigns.

The Rhode Island AFSC office is staffed by two Field Secretaries and a part-time program consultant. It works extensively on International concerns, disarmament and peace conversion.

Applicants should be prepared to work long hours under frequently difficult conditions. Four weeks of paid vacation are allowed per year.

To apply for this position, applicants should send a resume to Paul Graseck, at the above address. Included with the resume should be a brief essay by the applicant detailing: 1) why you are interested in this position; 2) specific examples of your past interest in and participation in peace movement and/or social change activities; 3) your position on nonviolence as a method of achieving social change.

The American Friends Service Committee is an equal opportunity employer.

American Friends' Service Committee that this meeting should make itself at least partially responsible financially for 2 conscientious objectors in this neighborhood.

A letter was read from the Friends' Fellowship Council outlining its work and requesting the financial support of the meeting as a whole and of individual members. In view of these requests for money it is suggested that Harvey C. Perry and Mary H. Darnell be appointed a Committee to confer with the treasurer, Frederic C. Balderston and to bring into the next meeting suggestions as to the amount the Monthly Meeting can contribute to these causes.

Thomas P. Hicks and Lydia A. Hicks are appointed representatives to the Quarterly Meeting.

Peter F. Perry
Clerk.

Seventh Month 1941

27th

At a special meeting held the 27th of 7th Month. Thomas Hicks on behalf of the representatives reported that they were both in attendance and that the Quarterly meeting was held in the usual good order.

The Committee appointed to confer with Caroline F. Hoag as to joining this meeting reports that it has met with her and that it is united in approving her acceptance as a member of this meeting. The meeting concurs with the Committee and she is accepted as a member of this meeting.

The Committee appointed to talk with Elizabeth Perry as to her approaching marriage with Edward A. Stemell reports that it believes the proposed marriage to be according to the Principles of Friends and it proposes the 16th of 8th Month at 3 in the afternoon of this meeting house as the time and place for the ceremony. The Peace Committee is continued to have oversight of the marriage.

Harvey Perry reported for the Committee appointed to confer with the treasurer as to the finances of the Monthly meeting - that there was sufficient funds on hand to forward need. Mary H. Darnell reports that $25 has been appropriated by the Peace Committee of the Yearly meeting for the maintenance of two Conscientious Objectors from New London County. It is proposed that this meeting contribute $5 which shall be added to the sum from the Peace Committee to take care of these

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Executive Directors until Tenth month at that time the meeting will consider what further contribution it will make.

The sum of $25 is appropriated from the Monthly Meeting funds to the Friends' Fellowship Council.

Harvey C. Perry and Mary H. Dawson are continued as a finance Committee and Rebecca H. Perry is added to it. The Committee is requested to confer with the treasurer and to prepare a budget for the various activities of the Monthly Meeting. This budget shall be presented at the Monthly meeting in the Tenth Month along with a report from the treasurer.

Charles Perry reports that $1080 has come through his hands this year as collector of funds for the Overseas Friends Service Committee

Phebe F. Perry
Clerk.

Eighth Month 1941

At South Kingstown Monthly meeting held 8th month 17- 1941, a letter which contained certificates of removal from Upper Evesham Monthly meeting Medford New Jersey for Benjamin J. and Ruth C. Roberts and their minor children Eliot C. Roberts and Ida M. Roberts, has been received by this meeting. We are grateful that these friends have come to dwell among us and unity is expressed with their acceptance as members of this meeting. Thomas Perry and Phebe Perry are appointed to welcome them to this meeting and to express the appreciation of this meeting of their joining with us. The Clerk is directed to forward to Upper Evesham Monthly meeting the grateful acceptance of Benjamin Roberts and his family as members of this meeting.

Phebe F. Perry
Clerk.

Tenth Month 1941

10th At South Kingstown Monthly meeting held South 12th 1941 A letter from South Kingstown Select Preparative meeting to this meeting has been read. It contains the proposal that Benjamin J. Roberts a member of this meeting and formerly a minister of Upper Evesham Monthly meeting, Medford, N. J. be recognized as a minister of this meeting. The proposal is united with and we forward it to Rhode Island and Sandwich Select Quarterly meeting.

Harry C. Perry and Ethelyn Foster are appointed representatives to the Quarterly meeting

The Committee appointed to have charge of the marriage of Elizabeth Perry and Edward A. Steiner requests that the marriage date which was postponed because of illness be set for Tenth month 25th at three in the afternoon in the meeting house. This request is united with.

Harry C. Perry on behalf of the Committee appointed to prepare a budget for the Yearly Meeting reports that there is $500 available in the treasury of the Monthly meeting for the use of the Civilian Public Service Camps. It is suggested that this sum be forwarded to the Yearly Meeting and sent as part of the Yearly Meeting's contribution to the American Friends Service Committee for use in the New England Camps. This suggestion is united with and the treasurer of this meeting is directed to forward $500 to the treasurer of the Yearly Meeting to be used as suggested.

Phebe F. Perry, clerk

Eleventh Month 1941

at a special meeting of South Kingstown Monthly Meeting held the 2nd of Eleventh Month 1941. Benjamin J. Peirce and Mary H. Darnell are appointed as representatives from this meeting to serve on the meeting for Sufferings until 1948

Phebe F. Perry
clerk

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First Month

at South Kingstown Monthly Meeting of Friends held the 4th of First month 1942 the representatives appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting to be held in Cambridge, Mass. on First Month 17th are Rhonica Perry and Phebe F. Perry.

A letter to Friends everywhere, urging that we remain steadfast to our traditions of peace and love has been received from Syracuse Monthly meeting and read to this meeting. The clerk is directed to express to the clerk of Syracuse Monthly meeting the appreciation of this meeting of the epistle.

A suggestion is made and united with that a message of love and sympathy on behalf of this meeting be sent to Mary H. Darnell who has been incapacitated by a fall.

The First and second queries have been read.

Phebe F. Perry clerk.

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Second Month

At a special meeting of South Kingstown Monthly Meeting held the 8th of Second month it is brought to the attention of this meeting that Dr Vere and Marie H. Allen are planning to travel among friends in Cuba and other Caribbean countries for the next six months. This meeting unites in the suggestion that we write a minute to these friends expressing the sympathy and unity of this meeting in their undertaking. The Clerk is directed to write such a minute with the advice and suggestion of one or more friends.

Rufus F. Perry
Clerk.

Fourth Month
1942

At South Kingstown Monthly Meeting held the 5th of Fourth month 1942, the third and fourth queries have been read at this time.

A committee consisting of Frederick C. Buffum, Ruth Proctor and Rufus Perry is appointed to make arrangements for the approaching Quarterly Meeting.

Thomas P. Nichols and Julianna P. Perry are appointed representatives.

The appointment of new overseers to take the place of some who are unable to serve was brought up. The names of Mary H. Dawson, Edith N. Perry and Ruth Proctor were suggested and united with and these are assigned to this service.

A letter from Elmer Hutchings of Northampton Meeting Concerning the relationship between the Connecticut Valley Friends and this Yearly Meeting was read and discussed at some length. No action was taken.

A suggestion was made that Caroline T. Hazard be appointed a representative from this meeting to attend the Richmond Conference to be held the middle of this month.

Rufus F. Perry
Clerk.

Sixth Month
1942

At a special meeting of South Kingstown Monthly Meeting held the 14th of Sixth Month 1942. A communication was read from Charles Evans a member of this meeting expressing his intention of marriage with Eleanor Bigelow Butler of Providence Friends' Fellowship meeting and requesting that this meeting grant him a certificate indicating his clearness to marry.

which shall be forwarded to Providence Friends' Fellowship meeting. A committee, composed of Thomas S. Nichols and Alice Edge Perry is appointed to talk with Charles Perry and report back to the Clerk of this meeting. On receipt of favorable word from this committee the Clerk is authorized to forward the report to the Providence meeting.

Phebe F. Perry
Clerk

Seventh Month 1942

At South Kingstown, Rhode Island monthly meeting held the 5th day of the 7th month 1942 the Committee appointed to talk with Charles Perry in regard to his clearness in marrying Eleanor Bigelow Butler reports that it met with him and was convinced of his earnest and sincere intentions they therefore directed the sending of a certificate of clearness to Providence Friends' Fellowship Meeting.

The 5th and 6th queries have been read at this time. A concern was expressed by one of our members that this meeting may not be meeting adequately the responsibility for the needs of its young people and it was asked that we give greater thought to this problem.

The supplementary queries have been read with answers as prepared by the officers and with additional facts concerning our membership. We forward these answers to the approaching Quarterly meeting by Mary H. Daniels and Elwyn Foster who were appointed as our representatives.

A memorial to Eunice B. Nichols an elder of this monthly meeting who died 7th month 20-1942 was presented to this meeting. It was united with and directed to be forwarded to the Quarterly meeting for its approval. It is suggested that a reference be inserted in the memorial to Sybil Foster Nichols who preceded her sister in death by 5 months.

Phebe F. Perry
Clerk

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Memorial

Eunice Browning Nichols, an elder of South Kingstown Monthly Meeting, died First Month 28th, 1942, in the eighty-fourth year of her age. This meeting wishes to record its appreciation of a member who was a tower of strength for her family and her meeting, and a very present help in time of trouble to her neighbors and friends. Anyone in need was her neighbor and whoever called upon her for aid was her friend. Little children came to her naturally and her greatest joy lay in ministering to them.

The foundation stone of the church is the faithfulness of its members. To this meeting Eunice Nichols gave years of devotion, attending meetings for worship and discipline at times when, but for her constancy and that of a few others, the life of the meeting might have flickered out. In later years she often came when the effort cost her great physical pain but attendance at meeting was the habit of a lifetime which was not broken until her strength failed, never to return.

Eunice Nichols was one of those whose work for others was never done. For her family she toiled endlessly and found her happiness in so doing. During the latter years of her life she and her older sister, Lydia Foster Nichols, a beloved member of this meeting, lived together in the home where a large family had once gathered. This sister, although an invalid for many years, never lost her keen interest in all that went on about her, nor her desire to help, in every way possible, those in need of assistance.

God, in His mercy, did not allow Eunice Nichols to survive for long this beloved sister but answered her prayer by taking her Home where so many of her dear ones awaited her. We can almost hear Him say: "Well done, thou good and faithful servant: thou hast been faithful over a few things, I will make thee ruler over many things: enter thou into the joy of thy Lord."

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though unconsciously, such position as an escape whereby we wash our hands of the world's problems. Another suggests that the peace we strive for is not that which the world is seeking, but rather that of Jesus when he said "My peace I give unto you." The thought is brought to us that in racial relations we may exemplify the way of peace. An appropriate sense of humility toward others in our dealings with all these profound problems was encouraged.

REPORT OF PEACE COMMITTEE

The concerns and activities of this committee fall into several divisions. We have attempted as individuals and in our local groups to work along the lines of peace, and as war has come to our country again, we have been called on to search our hearts for the true basis of our Christian belief as it relates to the sore needs in the world today.

We have pursued patterns already set up for doing what we can to alleviate suffering in lands abroad. We have had close contact with the Civilian Public Service camps

Eleventh Month 1943

At a special meeting of South Kingstown Monthly meeting held the 1st of the 11th month, 1942 it was the feeling of this meeting that we express to Thomas Perry and to his family our sympathy with them at the death of Margaret Watson Perry. In deep spiritual fellowship we extend to them our deepest love at this most trying time.

Phebe F. Perry
Clerk.

First Month 1943

At South Kingstown Monthly Meeting held the 3rd of First Month, 1943. Phebe T. Perry and Harry C. Perry are appointed representatives to the Quarterly meeting to be held in Cambridge, Mass. on the 16th of First Month. The Seventh and Eighth queries have been read at this time.

Phebe Perry
Clerk.

Fourth Month 1943

At South Kingstown Monthly meeting held the 18th of 4th month 1943. The ninth and tenth queries have been read at this time. Mary H. Dawson and Alice Perry are appointed representatives to the Quarterly meeting. Rebecca Perry asked that a letter of fellowship be sent to the Central Congregational Church of Providence of which her son Arthur Perry Jr. of Providence is about to become a member. The clerk is directed to send such a letter on behalf of this meeting. The first two queries have been read.

Phebe Perry
Clerk.

Memorial

Lucy W. Foster, an elder of South Kingstown Monthly Meeting, died in Westerly on the Seventh of Second Month, 1943.

Her memory is dear to the members of this meeting who for years have been strengthened by the quiet steadfastness of her presence. She brought to bear upon the problems which came before us sound judgment and an insight which came from a continuing search for truth.

We remember her loving concern for the welfare of others and her ability to perceive and minister to their needs. At times when Friends came to Westerly to visit our meeting or gathered here for Yearly Meeting, her home was always open to receive them and a visit there brought refreshment of spirit and a clearer understanding of the history and beliefs of Friends.

Her deep concern for the welfare of the Society was shown in her gift of the Florida Avenue Meeting House in Washington, completed in 1931. It has served, as was her hope, in opening the way for a large and growing Friends' Meeting in the national capital.

We are strengthened by the remembrance of her life of service and faithfulness. She was ever sensitive to God's requirements and sought His direction in the conduct of her life. In such a life the light and support of His presence become realities. Limitation and fears cease to exist for the words of the Psalmist are true, "The Lord is the strength of my life."

We welcome as visiting Friends Mabel Bailey and Jeannette Purdy, both of the Hartford Meeting of the Connecticut Valley Association of Friends. We responded gratefully to this evidence of their fellowship with us.

Julianna R. Perry presented the report of the American Friends Service Committee; and a report was given of the work being done by the English and American conscientious objectors in China as depicted by John [illegible] an American Friends Service Committee [illegible] Philadelphia.

Adjourned to two o'clock this afternoon.

Seventh Day afternoon Friends again met at the hour adjourned to. The names of the representatives being called, all but one were present.

We are glad to welcome with us Harold Myers of Providence who came in toward the close of our sitting.

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Seventh Month 1943

At South Kingstown Monthly meeting held 7th Month 4th 1943 The supplementary queries have been read with answers to each as directed in the discipline - also statistics concerning the educational activities of our young people and their industrial parts in the war emergency.

A communication to this meeting from Hartford and Elizabeth Gregware was read. requesting that their son Robert David become a member of this meeting. Alice Sedge Perry is appointed to confer with the Gregwares and report at a subsequent meeting

a memorial to Lucy Wilbur Foster member of this meeting who died Second Month 7th 1943 - was read and united with. We forward it to the approaching Quarterly meeting by Phebe Perry and Mary H. Dennett whom have appointed as our representatives.

Phebe F. Perry
Clerk.

First Month 1944

at South Kingstown monthly meeting held the 2nd of First month 1944. Alice Perry reported that she had talked with the parents of Robert D. Gregware and that there was a real desire on their part for him to become a member of this meeting. The meeting is united in welcoming him into membership with us and Alice Perry is directed to inform Robert and his family.

Alice Perry and Julianna Perry are appointed representatives to the Quarterly meeting to be held in Providence on First Month 15th

Phebe F. Perry. clerk

Fourth Month

at South Kingstown monthly meeting held the 2nd of 4th month 1944 The first two general queries have been read. The supplementary queries have been read with answers to each - also additional information relating to our meeting - as prepared by the overseers.

A memorial to Thomas F. Nichols a beloved member of this meeting has been read and united with. It is directed that it be forwarded to the approaching Quarterly meeting.

Mary H. Dennett and Thomas Perry are appointed to representatives to the Quarterly meeting Ruth Roberts Julianna Perry and Frederick C. Buffum are appointed a committee to arrange for the Quarterly meeting

Phebe F. Perry
Clerk

Seventh Month 1944

At South Kingstown Monthly meeting held the 2nd of 7th month 1944 - the third and fourth queries have been read.

Ethel Foster and Phebe Perry are appointed representatives to the Quarterly meeting. Phebe Perry gave a report of the proceedings of the Yearly meeting of Friends in New England which she and Julianna attended.

Phebe F. Perry
Clerk.

Seventh Month 1944

At a special meeting of South Kingstown monthly meeting held Seventh month 16 1944 a letter to this meeting from Finley H. Perry of Dover, Mass. has been read, asking for a certificate of clearness for his marriage to Sylvia Thorp of Morristown N. J. This meeting has expressed its approval & granting such a certificate and the Clerk is directed to forward it to Morristown monthly meeting.

Phebe F. Perry
Clerk.

MEMORIAL

Thomas Pitman Nichols, a minister of South Kingstown Monthly Meeting, died Seventh Month 29th, 1943, at his home in Westerly, Rhode Island. He was born in Brooklyn, New York, Second Month 24th, 1867, the youngest of the six children of Thomas P. and Lydia F. Nichols. When still a young boy the family moved to Westerly and there the greater part of his life was spent; there he engaged in business, married and reared his family.

Thomas Nichols' life was one of tireless devotion to others. To his mother, his sisters, his wife and children and his friends he gave continuous and loving service, never considering himself nor his physical limitations where others were concerned. No matter what personal problems confronted him he always counted himself the most fortunate of men. Those who knew him never doubted that it was because he walked with God.

He felt deeply his responsibility for the spiritual life of the meeting, and whether by words or in silence he brought his fellow worshippers into closer unity with one another and into harmony with God. He possessed a deep feeling for poetry which, combined with an unusually retentive memory, made him always ready with an apt quotation or a fitting phrase. Above all else in literature he loved the Psalms so that it seems fitting to close this tribute with these passages from the 100th Psalm which so well describe his approach to God:

"Make a joyful noise unto the Lord, all ye lands,
Serve the Lord with gladness:
Come before His presence with singing.

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We are His people and the sheep of his pasture.
Enter into His gates with thanksgiving
And into His courts with praise."

Twelfth Month 1944

At South Kingstown Monthly meeting held the 31st of 12th month 1944 - Harvey C Perry and Alice Edge Perry are appointed representatives to the Quarterly Meeting.

The suggestion has been made that the name of this Monthly Meeting be changed to Westerly Monthly Meeting in order to conform to present day circumstances. This suggestion is united with by those present but the final approval is postponed until the next Monthly Meeting.

Julianna R. Perry reports that she and Phebe Perry attended the meeting of the Joint Continuation Committee of all Friends in New England which discussed plans for the joint Yearly Meeting to be held sometime in 1945.

The 5th and 6th queries have been read at this time

Phebe F. Perry
Clerk

Third Month 1945

at a special session of South Kingstown monthly meeting held Third month 4th 1945 an invitation was presented from the Westerly Council of Churches asking this meeting to join that organization. After consideration and study of the constitution of the Council we are united in approval of becoming a member of the council in the hope that in may both give and receive benefit - thereby

Phebe F. Perry
Clerk

Fourth Month 1945

At South Kingstown Monthly Meeting held 4th month 11th 1945 the seventh and eighth queries have been read. The answers to the questionaire sent to us from the Yearly Meeting of Friends in New England as relating to our spiritual condition have been read and criticism has been asked for. It is referred to the Select meeting for final approval. The statistics of the Monthly meeting were appended to the report.

Plans were discussed for holding the Quarterly meeting here. The representatives appointed to attend are Mary H. Daniel and Benjamin F. Perry.

Final approval is given to changing the name of this meeting to Westerly Monthly Meeting

Phebe F. Perry
Clerk

(The new name used for first time)

Seventh Month 1945

At Westerly Monthly meeting held the 8th of Seventh Month 1945 the minutes and queries have been read.

A letter was read from Christ C. Roots resigning his membership in the Society of Friends and requesting that a letter be sent from this meeting to the pastor of the First Baptist Church of Westerly. The clerk is directed to accept the resignation with deep regret and to forward the letter as requested.

The Clerk of this meeting having expressed the wish to be relieved of the duties of clerk Alice E. Perry and Thomas Perry are appointed a Committee to nominate another clerk and to present the name at our next sitting.

Patricia Perry and Alice E. Perry are appointed representatives to the quarterly meeting.

A concern has been expressed that a copy of the budget of this monthly meeting be sent by the treasurer to the members of the meeting who are eighteen or above giving them the opportunity of contributing to the meeting's treasury as their means permit. Thomas Perry is directed to confer with the treasurer in carrying out this concern.

Alice E. Perry
Clerk

Tenth Month

At Westerly monthly meeting held the 7th of Tenth Month 1945 Letters were read from Benjamin and Ruth Roots to this meeting resigning their membership in the Society of Friends and notifying us of their intention of joining with their children Elliot and Idd the First Baptist church of Westerly. This meeting is united in expressing its regret at this action, feeling deeply the loss both in fellowship and ministry which has come to us. We are sure that our friends are guided in their leaving by that inner leading which cannot fail and we wish them Godspeed in the change they are making.

A letter was read from the Friends World Committee asking that food packages be sent to friends in Europe suffering from malnutrition. The meeting wishes to join in this project and

appoints the following committee to carry it through: Alice Perry, Mary Daniel, Julianna Perry, Mary Longfellow and Thomas Perry.

Alice Perry, on behalf of the committee appointed at our previous session to bring in the name of another clerk for this meeting presented the name of Mary H. Daniel, the name is nominated with and she is appointed to that service.

The first and second queries have been read.

Mary H. Daniel and Phebe Perry are appointed representatives to the Quarterly Meeting

Phebe F. Perry
Clerk.

Twelfth Month

At Westerly monthly meeting held the 30th of Twelfth Month, 1945.

A letter was read from Henry Perry, chairman of the Civilian Public Service Committee of New England Yearly Meeting of Friends, urging Friends to give financial support to the C.P.S. program until it has been completely carried out. As the need for its support will continue until the end of 1946, it was decided to supplement individual contributions by a check for $100 to be drawn on our savings account. Thomas Perry was appointed to confer with the treasurer, Frederick Baffum.

Julianna Perry reported that the committee appointed to send boxes of food to Friends in Europe had sent six boxes in Tenth Month to Holland and France, and six in Twelfth Month to Poland, Finland and Norway. It was decided to continue the shipments, and as soon as it is possible, to send food to Austria.

Phebe F. Perry and Mary H. Daniel were appointed representatives to the Quarterly Meeting to be held in Providence on First Month 19th.

The third and fourth queries were read.

Mary H. Daniel
Clerk

Third Month 1946

At Westerly Monthly Meeting held the 31st of Third Month, 1946.

A letter from Paul Butterworth concerning relief work for the German people was read. It expressed the hope that each meeting will designate a representative to form a local committee which

will cooperate with the Service Committee in receiving and forwarding funds, food and clothing, and in securing local publicity for material to be forwarded by the Service Committee

Phebe F. Perry and Mary H. Damerel were appointed representatives to attend the Quarterly Meeting to be held in Westerly in Fourth Month.

The fifth and sixth queries were read.

Mary H. Damerel
Clerk

Sixth Month

At a special monthly meeting held on the 9th of Sixth Month it was decided to send $25 as our contribution toward the Young Friends' Yearly Meeting expenses.

Mary H. Damerel
Clerk

Sixth Month

At Westerly Monthly Meeting held the 30st of Sixth Month, 1946.

Patricia Perry and Harvey Perry were appointed representatives to attend the Quarterly Meeting to be held at North Dartmouth in Seventh Month.

Phebe Perry reported that the committee in charge of sending food boxes to Europe had decided to send the balance of the money collected for that purpose to the Service Committee.

As we are uncertain whether the check sent to the Young Friends to help defray their Yearly Meeting expenses adequately represents our share of the amount needed, Patricia Perry was asked to write the Young Friends' treasurer to ascertain whether additional money is needed.

It was decided to hold meeting at 10:30 instead of eleven o'clock until Ninth Month 8th.

The seventh and eighth queries were read.

Mary H. Damerel
Clerk

Ninth Month

At Westerly Monthly Meeting held the 29th of Ninth Month, 1946.

Thomas Perry and Mary H. Damerel were appointed representatives to attend the Quarterly Meeting to be held in Westerly on Tenth Month 19th.

A letter from Nancy B. Taylor expressing her desire to become a member of Westerly Monthly

meeting was read. Her request was referred to the Overseers who are united in expressing their approval, and we warmly welcome her into membership.

Phebe Perry reported for Patricia Perry that our contribution toward the Young Friends' Yearly Meeting expenses was adequate.

The 9th and 10th queries were read.

Mary H. Damerel
Clerk.

Twelfth Month

At a special monthly meeting held the 15th of Twelfth Month, 1946.

A letter was received from Nathalie Kimber for the Service Committee asking our support of a project to send food boxes to Friends in Europe through the Cooperative for American Remittances to Europe, Inc. Members are asked to contribute to a fund for this purpose, and Julianna Perry was appointed to be in charge of this work.

Clarence E. Pickett's letter concerning the next meeting of the Service Committee in the Friends Meeting House, 15th and Race Streets, Philadelphia, was read. Alice Wills and Julianna Perry, alternate, were appointed representatives to attend the meetings.

The request of Esther and Harry Foster for the use of the basement floor of the meeting house as a home during the housing shortage was discussed. It was felt that such an arrangement would not be comfortable for them, and expedient for the meeting.

Mary H. Damerel
Clerk.

First Month 1947

At Westerly Monthly Meeting held on the fifth of First Month, 1947.

Phebe F. Perry and Mary H. Damerel were appointed representatives to attend the Quarterly Meeting to be held in Providence on First Month 18th.

Paul Butterworth's letter stating that the financial needs of the Yearly Meeting are not being met promptly was read. The amount due from Narragansett Quarterly Meeting is $190, of which $95 should have been sent by Tenth Month, and has not yet been received by the Yearly Meeting treasurer. Frederick A. Buffum, our treasurer, has been acquainted with this

situation. Julianna Perry reported that at the Quarterly meeting held in Tenth Month, John Wilbur was requested to get in touch with the Monthly Meeting treasurers before the Quarterly Meeting to be held in First Month, and to report to the meeting at that time.

Julianna Perry reported that to date $25 has been received in contribution toward the expense of sending food boxes to Friends in Europe twice monthly during the next six months. She has received from Nathalie Rimbert the name of a Berlin Friend with whom we may get in touch.

Thomas Perry reported that Esther and Harry Foster have found a home which fills their needs more adequately than the one in which they have been living.

The first and second queries were read.

Mary H. Dameral
Clerk.

Second Month — At a special Monthly Meeting held on Second Month 23rd, 1947:

A certificate of removal from New Bedford Monthly Meeting for Friends to Westerly Monthly Meeting requested by Mary Longfellow has been received from New Bedford Monthly Meeting. We are happy to receive this certificate, and warmly welcome Mary Longfellow into membership.

Mary H. Dameral
Clerk

Fourth Month — At Westerly Monthly meeting held on Fourth Month 13th:

Marjory B. Taylor and Phebe F. Perry are appointed representatives to attend the Quarterly Meeting to be held in Westerly on the 19th.

John Wilbur has notified us that our meeting has contributed fifty per cent more than its quota due the Quarterly Meeting. It is agreed that the overpayment be used by our treasurer to pay in part or entirely the amount we contributed last year to the Activities Fund of the Yearly Meeting.

The third and fourth queries were read.

Mary H. Dameral
Clerk

Seventh Month At Westerly Monthly Meeting held on Seventh Month 6th:

Phebe F. Perry and Mary H. Dameral are appointed representatives to attend the Quarterly meeting to be held at North Dartmouth on Seventh Month 14th.

Julianna Perry reported that the committee appointed to send food boxes to Europe has sent six boxes of food, and several boxes of clothing. Two letters acknowledging their receipt have been received from the Eberhardt family in Berlin. If friends wish to continue sending food, they are asked to send their contributions to Julianna Perry.

The fifth and sixth queries were read.

Mary H. Dameral
Clerk

Eighth Month At a special Monthly Meeting held on Eighth Month 10th:

A letter sent by the European section of the Friends' World Committee which met at Oommen, Holland, in Fourth Month, has been read. Inspiration is conveyed in its statement that to these friends spiritual recovery in Europe is of greater importance than physical recovery, and can be brought about through adherence to our belief that we are all children of one father.

A joint request by the American Friends' Fellowship Council and the Friends' World Committee, American Section, for contributions by Monthly Meetings to their budgets has been discussed. As the treasurer has reported that $100 is available, it has been decided to send this amount to the Fellowship Council and World Committee to be applied by them where the need is greatest.

Mary H. Dameral
Clerk.

Eighth Month At a special Monthly Meeting held on Eighth Month 24th:

An application for membership in Westerly Monthly Meeting has been received from Edward A. Steiner. Believing that he is in thorough agreement with the principles of Friends and in spiritual unity with us, the Overseers are united in recommending his membership.

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We are appreciative of the privilege of his friendship and of all that he has done during his visits here to uplift the spirit of our meeting, and unite with the Overseers in experiencing a deep sense of gratitude that he wishes to become a member.

Harvey Perry, for the Overseers, presented a request that the name of Alice E. Perry should be added to the list of Overseers. The meeting is united in approving her appointment to this service.

The problem of securing a speaker for the Quarterly Meeting to be held in Westerly in Tenth Month was discussed.

Mary H. Dawerd
Clerk

Tenth Month

At Westerly Monthly Meeting held Tenth Month 5th, 1947.

A letter has been read from the minister of the First Congregational Church of Grinnell, Iowa, commending Dr. Edward C. Steiner to the fellowship of our meeting.

A letter from Amy S. Hayden, Clerk of Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting, informs us that Narragansett Quarterly Meeting will be asked to appoint a committee to discuss the position of Providence Monthly Meeting which now belongs to both meetings. This Monthly meeting is asked to have in mind someone to name to that Committee

Thomas Perry and Marjorie B. Taylor are appointed our Representatives to Quarterly Meeting on Tenth Month 18th at Westerly.

Julianna R. Perry
Clerk for the day

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First Month

At Westerly Monthly Meeting held on First Month 4th.

Phoebe T. Perry and Mary H. Dawerd are appointed representatives to attend the Quarterly Meeting to be held in Westerly on First Month 17th.

It has been suggested that we should organize a group of members and interested friends who would meet once a week to sew for European relief. Alice Wills, Julianna Perry and Phoebe Perry are

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appointed a committee to make arrangements.

Julianna Perry spoke of the need for money if we are to continue the sending of food packages to the Eberhardt family in Berlin.

Mary H. Dameral

Fourth Month

At Westerly Monthly Meeting held on Fourth Month 3rd.

We appoint Mary Longfellow and Mary Dameral as our representatives to attend the Quarterly Meeting to be held in Westerly on Fourth Month 17th.

A letter from Robert Owen, chairman of the Yearly Meeting Finance Committee, asks for further contributions to the budget for Yearly Meeting activities. It is decided to give up to $150, subject to the approval of the treasurer. Friends who are able to contribute personally are asked to do so.

Alice Wills, for the committee which has been meeting weekly during the past two months to sew for European relief reports that two boxes of clothing and one of new garments for boys and girls are almost ready for shipment.

Alice Perry and Marjorie Taylor are appointed a committee in charge of arrangements for the ensuing Quarterly Meeting.

The third and fourth queries from the new Discipline have been read.

Phoebe Perry
Clerk for the day.

Seventh Month

At Westerly Monthly Meeting held on Seventh Month 4th.

A letter sent jointly by the American Friends Fellowship Council and the Friends' World Committee, American Section, requesting contributions to their budget, has been read. It is decided that, subject to the approval of the treasurer, we shall contribute $10.

It is also decided that during the summer months meeting will convene at 10:30. In order that Friends who are visiting in Westerly may know when and where meeting is held, it is suggested that notices be placed in summer hotels. The clerk is directed to add the words, "Visitors are welcome," to the notice in the Westerly Sun.

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Phoebe T. Perry and Mary H. Damerel are appointed representatives to attend the Quarterly Meeting to be held at North Dartmouth on Seventh Month 17th.

A letter dated Fifth Month 19th notifies us that Finley H. Perry, who requested a removal certificate for this meeting, has been accepted into membership in Cambridge Monthly Meeting.

On Fifth Month our meeting was privileged to have a visit from Stephen and Alice Thorne of London Yearly Meeting who since last Autumn have been visiting among American friends with a minute from their meeting. From them we received a comprehensive and interesting picture of American Quakerism as it appears to an outsider. We were impressed by their spirituality and deep concern that Friends should continue their search for truth in unprogramed meetings.

Mary H. Damerel, clerk

Seventh Month

At Westerly Monthly Meeting held on Seventh Month 3rd.

We appoint as our representatives to attend the Quarterly Meeting to be held in Providence on Seventh Month 16th Thomas Perry and Mary H. Damerel.

The fifth and sixth queries from the new Discipline have been read.

Mary H. Damerel, clerk.

First Month 1949

At Westerly Monthly Meeting held on First Month 9th.

Alice Perry and Phoebe Perry are appointed representatives to attend the Quarterly Meeting to be held in Providence on First Month 15th.

A letter from William T. Fischer, Jr., chairman of the Friends' Neighborhood Guild Committee of Philadelphia requesting financial assistance for the Guild's program of self-help housing and other activities has been read. The clerk is directed to acknowledge the receipt of the letter.

The possibility of securing a speaker for a supper meeting has been discussed.

Sewing for European relief is to be resumed this week.

The first and second Queries from the old Discipline have been read.

Mary H. Damerel, clerk

Fourth Month

At Westerly Monthly Meeting held on Fourth Month 3rd.

Harvey C. Perry and Mary H. Damerel are appointed representatives to attend the Quarterly Meeting to be held in Westerly on Fourth Month 16th. We also appoint Julianna Perry to serve as chairman of a committee of arrangements. It is hoped that Moses Bailey of Hartford will be present and will speak at the afternoon meeting about his recent trip to Palestine.

Phoebe Perry has presented a report of the spiritual condition of the meeting, with which we unite.

Alice Perry reports that nine hundred pounds of clothing have been collected and sent to the Service Committee.

We have read the 3rd and 4th queries from the old Discipline.

Mary H. Damerel, clerk

Seventh Month

At Westerly Monthly Meeting held on Seventh Month 3rd:

Elizabeth Perry Steiner and Patricia Perry are appointed representatives to the ensuing Quarterly Meeting.

The 7th and 8th Queries from the new Discipline have been read.

Mary H. Damerel, clerk.

Eighth Month

At a special monthly meeting held on Eighth Month 14th:

A letter of application for membership has been received from Wilhelm Anders, a German student who is in this country for four years. The overseers have approved his application. The meeting unites with the overseers and he is welcomed into membership.

Mary H. Damerel, clerk

Tenth Month

At Westerly Monthly Meeting held on Tenth Month 2nd:

Nancy Taylor and De Vere Allen are appointed representatives to attend the Quarterly Meeting to be held in Providence on the 15th of this month.

Phoebe Perry read a letter sent to the clerks of Monthly Meetings on Ministry and Council. It suggests the need for greater interest in associate and non-attending friends.

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It was suggested that we hold a supper meeting on the 15th. Julianna Perry was appointed to write to De Vere Allen and ask him to be present and to speak to us at that time.

Mary H. Dameral, clerk

First Month 1950

At Westerly Monthly Meeting held on First Month 1st:

Marjory B. Taylor and Patricia Perry are appointed representatives to attend the Quarterly Meeting to be held in Providence on First Month 21st.

The clerk reported that a check for $50 has been sent to the treasurer of the Fellowship Council and World Committee as our contribution for 1949.

We have decided to send food points to the Berlin Monthly Meeting. Money is needed for this purpose.

Mary H. Dameral, clerk

Fourth Month 2nd.

At Westerly Monthly Meeting held on Fourth Month 2nd:

Julianna Perry and Marjory Taylor are appointed representatives to attend the Quarterly Meeting to be held on Fourth Month 16th at Westerly.

Alice Perry is appointed Chairman of the committee to arrange for the meeting.

The statistics of the past year have been read. Westerly Monthly Meeting has at present 69 members, two more than last year. Of the new members, one is a birthright friend, and the other has joined our meeting by request.

The report of the spiritual condition of our meeting have been read and approved.

Alice Perry suggested that Fourth Month would be a suitable time to conduct a clothing drive for the Service Committee. She has consented to act as chairman for the drive, which will be carried on between the 10th and 24th.

Mary H. Dameral, clerk

Fourth Month 30th

At a special meeting of Westerly Monthly Meeting held at Westerly on Fourth Month 30th, 1950, a letter was received from Penelope Perry Walcott of Dover, Massachusetts, requesting

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that her membership be removed from this meeting to that of Cambridge, Massachusetts. This meeting is in sympathy with her reason for moving and directs the clerk to forward to Cambridge Meeting a letter of transferance.

Phebe F. Perry, clerk for the day.

Seventh Month 2nd

At Westerly Monthly Meeting held on Seventh Month 2nd:

We appoint as our representatives to the Quarterly meeting to be held at North Dartmouth Nancy Taylor and Harvey Perry.

The clerk reported that the removal certificate requested by Penelope Perry Walcott was forwarded to the clerk of Cambridge meeting and its acknowledgement received.

Alice Perry reported for the Clothing Committee that 1700 pounds of clothing were collected in the spring and sent to the Service Committee. In the future clothing will be sent to Cambridge.

Phebe Perry, who attended a recent meeting of the Clothing Committee, reported that the results of the general collection have been unusually satisfactory.

Rebecca Hutton Perry is appointed to place notices concerning our meetings during 7th and 8th Months in the summer hotels.

Mary H. Dameral, clerk

Tenth Month 1st

At Westerly Monthly Meeting held on Tenth Month first.

The representatives to attend the Quarterly Meeting to be held in Providence on Tenth Month 21st are Thomas Perry and Phebe Perry.

The treasurer of the Monthly Meeting reports that the balance on hand in the treasury is approximately $1000.

Julianna Perry reported on the joint conference between New York and New England Yearly Meetings held in Providence in Ninth Month. Henry Cadbury lectured on the Epistle to the Hebrews. There was a large attendance of friends from Providence as part time attenders and about forty people as full time attenders. She expressed a concern for working with younger children at the meeting, for

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least sending them copies of the News Letter.
Phebe F. Perry
Clerk for the day

Twelfth Month 31st

At Westerly Monthly Meeting held on Twelfth Month 31st.

Marjory Taylor and Thomas Perry are appointed representatives to the Quarterly Meeting to be held on first Month 20th in Providence.

A study group in preparation for the World Conference of Friends to be held in Oxford, England, in 1952, will meet for the first time this evening at the home of Harvey and Julianna Perry.

Julianna Perry reminded us that a clothing collection for the Service Committee is to be held this week. The collection will be our participation in the collection sponsored by the World Conference of Churches from Twelfth Month 24th to 31st. Friends may bring their clothing to Harvey and Julianna Perry's home.

The first and second queries have been read.

Mary H. Damerel, clerk

Fourth Month 1951

At Westerly Monthly Meeting held on Fourth Month 1st:

Alice Perry and Thomas Perry are appointed representatives to attend the Quarterly Meeting to be held in Westerly on Fourth Month 21st. Julianna Perry is appointed chairman of the committee of arrangements.

A letter from Russell Brooks requesting our consideration of the basis of membership in our meeting, a topic to be discussed at Yearly Meeting, is referred to the overseers.

Friends are urged to write to Senator Barden, our senators and representatives, concerning their convictions with respect to the Barden Bill.

The third and fourth queries have been read.

Mary H. Damerel, clerk

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Seventh Month — At Westerly Monthly Meeting held on Seventh Month 1st:

We appoint Phebe Perry and Mary Dameral representatives to attend the Quarterly meeting to be held at North Dartmouth on Seventh Month 21st.

Requests for financial assistance from the Pennsylvania State College Friends' Meeting for the Friends' Center established there and from the Fellowship Committee for the publication of a directory of Friends' meetings in the United States and Canada have been received. Friends may contribute individually.

Mary H. Dameral, clerk

Tenth Month — At Westerly Monthly Meeting held on Tenth Month 1st:

We appoint Alice Perry and Thomas Perry representatives to attend the Quarterly Meeting to be held in Westerly on Tenth Month 20th. Julianna Perry is appointed chairman of arrangements.

John Killam will speak in the afternoon on "The Power of Non-Violence."

Mary Dameral is appointed chairman of our Meeting Peace and Social Concerns Committee.

Phebe F. Perry, clerk for the day

First Month 1952 — At Westerly Monthly Meeting held on First Month 6th:

We appoint Phebe Perry and Mary Dameral representatives to attend the Quarterly Meeting to be held in Sayleesville on First Month 19th.

Our meeting will contribute $100 to the travel fund for delegates attending the Friends' World Conference in Oxford, England. Friends may contribute individually as well.

Mary H. Dameral, clerk

First Month 20th — At a special Monthly Meeting held on First Month 20th:

A request from Wilhelm Anders for a letter of clearance for his marriage to Ruth McVay has been received. Thomas Perry and Frederick Buffum are appointed to report to the meeting concerning this

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matter.

The Friends' Council on Education has requested meetings for small contributions to its treasury, and our meeting will contribute one dollar.

Phebe Perry suggested that the Monthly Meeting should arrange for a rotation of office in the meeting in order to stabilize our council of ministers and elders. The matter is left open for Friends to consider.

Mary H. Dameral, clerk

Second Month 16th — At Westerly Monthly Meeting held on Second Month 16th.

The clerk is directed to send a letter of approval of the forthcoming marriage of Wilhelm Anders and Ruth McVey to the clerk of Radnor Monthly Meeting, a committee composed of Thomas Perry and Frederick Buffum having reported its belief that he is well fitted to enter into the marriage relationship.

A request from Philip C. Gifford on behalf of Providence Monthly Meeting for contributions to help complete the fund for the construction of the new Providence Monthly Meeting House has been read. Contributions are to be made on an individual basis.

Alice Wills is appointed to represent our meeting at the World Day of Prayer to be held on Second Month 17th at the Seventh Day Baptist Church.

Mary H. Dameral, clerk

Fourth Month 6th — At Westerly Monthly Meeting held on Fourth Month 6th:

We appoint Margery Taylor and Julianna Perry as representatives to attend the Quarterly Meeting to be held in Westerly in Fourth Month and Phebe Perry as chairman of arrangements.

In order to revitalize our Committee on Ministry and Counsel, Phebe F. Perry, clerk of the committee, and the clerk of the Monthly Meeting are appointed to consider the matter and report to our next monthly meeting their

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findings and suggestions.
The third and fourth queries have been read.
Mary H. Damerel, clerk

Fifth Month 4th

At a special monthly meeting held on Fifth Month 4th:
The clerk has read a letter from Patricia Perry requesting the approval of the meeting of her marriage in the meeting house on Eighth Month 9th to Robert F. Westervelt. Phebe F. Perry and Mary H. Damerel are appointed to confer with Patricia and report to the next monthly meeting. Alice Perry, Thomas Perry, and Claire Perry are appointed to serve for six months as members of the House Committee.
Julianna Perry reported that she had received from William Anders a letter stating that as Ruth McVay is ill their wedding has had to be postponed.
Phebe Perry reported the approval of the committee appointed to confer with Joana S. Fuller concerning her request for membership. The meeting unites with this report. Mary Damerel, clerk

Fifth Month 11th

At Westerly Monthly Meeting held on Fifth Month 11th:
A letter from Nancy Taylor notifying the meeting of her intended marriage to Francis C. Stokes, Jr., of Moorestown, New Jersey; and requesting the approval of the meeting, has been read. Alice Perry and Mary H. Damerel are appointed to confer with Nancy and report to the next monthly meeting.
Esther Foster reported that a bill for $9.41 for First Day school materials has been received. The meeting approves the payment of this bill.
Harry Foster asked about the advisability of painting the dining room. Herbert Perry and Harry Foster are appointed to consider this matter.
Mary H. Damerel, clerk

Seventh Month 6th

At Westerly Monthly Meeting held on Seventh Month 6th:
We appoint Phebe Perry and Mary H. Damerel as representatives to attend the Quarterly Meeting to be held at North Dartmouth on Seventh Month 19th.
Phebe Perry reported for the committee appointed to consider the problem of revitalizing our Committee on Ministry and Counsel. The committee feels that as our group is small it would be advisable for every member to

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assume responsibility as a member of the committee and for the meeting to appoint two elders to assume particular oversight of the work of the committee. The meeting approves the report and appoints Julianna Perry and Thomas Perry as elders to serve for one year.

Phebe Perry spoke of the desirability of securing someone to take charge of the children in the First Day School so that parents might be able to attend meeting.

Mary H. Dameral, clerk

Seventh Month 27th

Seventh Month 27th: At a special Monthly Meeting held on Seventh Month 27th:

The clerk has read a Removal Certificate from Wilmington Ohio Monthly Meeting of Friends for Harry E. Fosters and his wife Esther L. Foster and their minor children, David H. and Elaine Laurence Foster. Westerly Monthly Meeting approves this request for membership and they are welcomed as members.

Harry E. Fosters is appointed to serve as our representative on the Quarterly Meeting Committee to plan the Junior Quarterly Meeting.

Mary H. Dameral, clerk

Addenda to the minutes of the meeting held on Seventh Month 6th.

Phebe Perry reported for the committee appointed to confer with Patricia Perry concerning her request for clearance by the meeting of her marriage to Robert F. Westervelt on Eighth Month 9th at the meeting house. No obstructions appear and the marriage is approved by the meeting.

Mary Dameral reported for the committee appointed to confer with Nancy Taylor concerning her request for the consent of the meeting to her marriage to Francis O. Stokes, Jr. at the meeting house on Tenth Month 11th. Nancy's request has been approved by the committee and the meeting concurs with its report.

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Tenth Month 5th

At Westerly Monthly Meeting held on Tenth Month 5th: Harvey Perry and Alice Perry are appointed representatives to attend the Quarterly Meeting to be held in Providence on Tenth Month 18th.

A letter from Huldah Randell of Connecticut College, New London, requesting membership in Westerly Monthly Meeting through a transfer of membership from the Friends Meeting of Washington, D.C., has been read. Huldah Randell has kindly offered to our meeting a two-volume set of "The Gurneys" by Augustus J.C. Hare.

Thomas Perry reported that Patricia Perry and Robert Westervelt were married at the meeting house on Eighth Month 9th in accordance with the principles of Friends.

Margery Taylor reported the marriage of her daughter Nancy to Francis Stokes, Jr., at Moorestown Meeting on Eighth Month 31st.

Julianna and Harvey Perry are to give a report of the World Conference held this summer at Oxford on First Day evening, the 12th, at the meeting house.

The clerk read a letter from Lewis M. Hoskins stating the position of the American Friends Service Committee with respect to its present relationship with Selective Service. A minute from the A.F.S.C. board meeting states: "The Board reaffirmed its decision to provide, to the extent of its abilities, services needed by conscientious objectors so long as this did not jeopardize the status of the A.F.S.C. as an independent religious agency."

The clerk presented a bill for $6.00 from the Friends Book and Supply House of Richmond, Indiana, covering supplies ordered by Harry Foster for the First Day School. Its payment has been approved.

The first and second queries have been read.

Mary H. Dawend, clerk

Tenth Month 26th

At Westerly Monthly Meeting held on Tenth Month 26th:

A removal certificate from the Friends Meeting of Washington for Huldah Randell of Connecticut College, New London, has been received. We are happy to welcome Huldah Randell into membership.

Mary H. Dawend, clerk

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Twelfth Month 14th

At Westerly Monthly Meeting held on Twelfth Month 14th:

A letter from Elizabeth P. and Edward A. Steiner requesting a removal certificate to Claremont Monthly Meeting has been received. The clerk is directed to forward this certificate to the clerk of Claremont Monthly Meeting, Claremont, California.

Julianna Perry and Thomas Perry are appointed to prepare the yearly report on the spiritual condition of our meeting for the Quarterly Meeting to be held in Fourth Month.

Harvey Perry read a letter from Paul Butterworth requesting contributions to a fund for a new car for Russell Brooks, who has worn out his car in service to Friends. Checks should be sent to Ernest Ainsworth. Contributions are to be sent individually.

Mary H. Dameral, clerk

First Month 4th, 1953

At Westerly Monthly Meeting held on First Month 4th, 1953:

Thomas Perry and Margery Taylor are appointed representatives to attend the Quarterly Meeting to be held in Providence on First Month 17th.

As Harry Foster, our representative on the Quarterly Meeting Committee appointed in Seventh Month, 1952, to arrange for a children's program at Quarterly Meeting, is leaving soon for Saudi Arabia, we appoint Esther Foster to take his place on the committee.

Julianna Perry reported that she and Harvey Perry are planning to attend the joint session of the Service Committee and World Committee to be held in Philadelphia during the first week of First Month.

Alice Perry spoke of the desirability of a clothing collection at this time. Clothing may be brought to her home.

The clerk is directed to arrange for the printing of copies of the Children's Queries and Removal Certificate forms.

Mary H. Dameral, clerk

Third Month 29th

At Westerly Monthly Meeting held on Third Month 29th:

Julianna Perry was appointed assistant clerk for the day.

Alice Perry and Margery Taylor were appointed representatives to the Quarterly Meeting to be held in Westerly on Fourth Month 18th.

Julianna Perry was appointed chairman of arrangements.

Phebe Perry spoke of the need to provide time at Quarterly Meeting for a thorough discussion of ways and means of increasing the attendance at Quarterly Meetings.

The report on the spiritual condition of our meeting has been read. It expresses the belief that our meeting, although still small, has experienced some of the new spiritual strength that is being felt throughout World Quakerism. Two of our members were delegates to the Oxford Conference, and three others attended the Tercentenary Celebration in North England. All of these traveling friends visited meetings and Friends' Centers in Europe and the British Isles. We have welcomed six new members this year, and several non-members attend First Day meeting quite regularly.

The statistics also have been read. Our present membership is 67. We have lost one member by death and two by transfer to another meeting. With six new members, the net gain is three from last year's membership of 64.

A letter from Rachel Q. Osborn, Chairman of the Committee on Peace and Social Concerns of New England Yearly Meeting, explaining the projects on this year, has been read. Clerk was directed to send to Jeannette Smith the name and address of the Chairman of our Peace and Social Concerns Committee.

Esther Foster and Thomas Perry were appointed to attend the Institute on Social Meeting Work to be held in Providence on Fourth Month 16th.

Alice Perry reported that a large box of clothing has been collected and is ready for shipment by the Service Committee.

The clerk read a petition prepared by a Westerly minister and directed to the General Assembly, Governor, and Board of Pardons of the State of Connecticut, asking that the death sentence given a local man, George Marvin Dorich, Jr., be commuted to life imprisonment. Members have expressed an interest in signing it.

The 3rd and 4th Queries have been read.

Mary H. Dawson, clerk

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Seventh Month 5th.

At Westerly Monthly Meeting held on Seventh Month 5th:

We appoint Ed Foster, Margery Taylor, and Alice Perry as representatives to attend the Quarterly Meeting to be held at North Dartmouth on Seventh Month 18th.

A letter from the Fellowship Council and World Committee requesting financial support of their work has been received. We have decided to contribute $50 from our treasury, and Friends are urged to contribute individually.

The clerk reported that Martha Rider, who graduated this year from the Westerly High School, has expressed her interest in attending the High School Institute of International Relations to be held at Friendly Crossways during the week of Eighth Month 21st. The treasurer has received by contribution $35, the attendance charge for the week, to cover her expenses.

We were privileged to have with us Lewis Hoskins, who with his wife and children attended the meeting for worship. He spoke of the progress made by the Service Committee in planning Alternate Service work.

The 4th and 5th Queries have been read.

Mary H. Domerel, clerk.

Tenth Month 4th

At Westerly Monthly Meeting held on Tenth Month 4th:

Alice Perry and Julianna Perry are appointed representatives to attend the Quarterly Meeting to be held in Providence on Tenth Month 18th.

Two requests for contributions to Friends' work have been received. The first, signed by R. Ernest Lamb for the Five Years Meeting, requests pledges or payments to the Building Fund for the construction of a new central office building for the Five Years Meeting. Fifty dollars is suggested as a contribution, if the treasurer approves. The second request is from the Associated Executive Committee of Friends on Indian Affairs and asks support of their work among the Indians. Friends may contribute individually if they wish.

The clerk reported the receipt of letters from Martha Rider of Ashaway to whom our meeting gave a week's tuition to the International Institute for young people of high school age which was held at Friendly Crossways in Eighth Month. Her suggestion for an international institute for a day to be held at Westerly High School is interesting. It is suggested that we ask Martha Rider what weekend would be convenient for her to report to the meeting.

The clerk read a communication from Harold Chance, Director of Friends' Peace Service, in which he urged Friends' Meetings to develop

active peace committees in which at least one member is well prepared to do C.O. counseling.

Julianna Perry spoke of the South Meeting House Project in South China, Maine, as a deserving project to be considered in the spring.

The clerk read the following minute to be included in our minutes: Westerly Monthly Meeting acknowledges with appreciation the visit of Edith Reeves Solenberger on Ninth Month 13th and the cordial minute from Lansdowne Monthly Meeting stating her concern to discuss with Friends in New England the tentative copy of a partial proposed Book of Faith and Practice for a United Philadelphia Yearly Meeting of Friends.

Thomas Perry is appointed our representative to the Select meeting to be held in Providence on the 18th of this month.

Mary H. Dameral, clerk

First Month 3rd 1954

At Westerly Monthly Meeting held on First Month 3rd.

The representatives appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting to be held in Providence on First Month 16th are Phebe Perry and Thomas Perry. Mary Dameral is appointed a representative to the Meeting on Ministry and Counsel.

Phebe Perry suggested that the clerk send notices of monthly meetings to younger members who are not usually in attendance.

Julianna Perry is appointed to prepare the report on the spiritual condition of our meeting to be given at Monthly Meeting in Fourth Month. She may choose an assistant.

Phebe Perry read an invitation to the women of our meeting to attend a meeting at the Central Baptist Church on First Month 25th.

It is suggested that any clothing for the Service Committee be taken to Providence in Fourth Month.

Julianna Perry reported that Winifred Barrett and three members of our meeting had met with school representatives from Westerly and Pawcatuck concerning possible programs and arrangements for a one-day institute on international affairs to be held in the spring at one of the high schools.

Frederick Perkins reported a letter from Errol Elliott asking individuals to contribute to the support of the orphanage in Lebanon founded by the Lions.

The clerk read a letter from Harold Chance asking Friends, if they feel to do so, to write

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President Eisenhower a letter of encouragement to press on with the negotiation of a peaceful settlement to the problems which obstruct world peace.

The clerk reported the receipt of a notice of a speech contest for young people on the theme of Public Morals, sponsored by the Peace and Social Concerns Committee.

A letter from James F. Walker for the American Section of the Friends' World Committee has been read. It requests Friends to send to the Committee any questions concerning civil liberties which they feel should be discussed at the conference on civil liberties to be held at Scattergood School from Fourth Month 2nd to 4th. Julianna Perry suggested that as she and Harvey Perry are to attend the meetings of the World Committee later in the month it would be helpful if we could meet before they left to discuss the problem of civil liberties.

The fifth and sixth queries have been read.

Mary H. Dameral, clerk

Fourth Month 4th

At Westerly Monthly Meeting held on Fourth Month 4th:

Julianna Perry is appointed assistant clerk for the day.

We appoint Alice Perry and Phebe Perry as representatives to the Quarterly Meeting to be held in Westerly on Fourth Month 17th, and Thomas Perry to the Meeting on Ministry and Counsel. Alice Perry is appointed to serve as chairman of arrangements.

The yearly statistics have been read. Our membership of 67 is the same as it was last year: Twenty-eight are resident members, and thirty-nine non-resident. The number of males is 27, females 40, and there are 10 members under twenty-one. Several non-resident members are considering joining other churches.

The report on our spiritual condition states that although our meetings are small they are not lacking in spiritual refreshment. Our members feel a sense of responsibility for the ministry and contribute to it as they feel called to do so.

A letter from the clerk of the Yearly Meeting on Ministry and Counsel asks each local meeting on Ministry and Counsel to consider before Yearly Meeting the topic for this year's session of "The Religious Education of Adult Members, New and Old, in Friends' Meeting."

Requests for contributions to the General Equalization Fund and the Friends' Council on Education have been received and considered. We shall contribute

individually to the Equalization Fund. The treasurer is authorized to send $5 to the Council on Education.

The clerk read an invitation to our members to attend service in the United Congregational Church of Little Compton on Eighth Month 29th, at which time tribute is to be paid to the Society of Friends. It is hoped that a number of us may attend, and the clerk is directed to thank the pastor for his invitation.

The following communications have been read:

1. a letter announcing the sessions of the Board ors meeting to be held from Fourth Month

tter from Honolulu Monthly Meeting endorsing Hawaii

tter from the Service Committee urging passage the bringing of a family to this the Refugee Relief Act. Phebe Perry unnecessary difficulties involved under suggested that we discuss the problem at Quarterly Meeting and write the Service ask how the act could be amended.

ary reported to the clothing committee ary recently took to Providence 118 pounds the Service Committee

estion has been made and approved meetings be held on the first First month instead of on the last First month preceding Quarterly Meeting.

and 8th queries have been read.

Mary H. Tanner, clerk

1 Monthly Meeting held on Fifth Month 24th:

a7in We have received from Charles Perry a letter stating his desire to transfer his membership to Haverford Monthly Meeting which he now attends with his family. The clerk is directed to send to the clerk of Haverford Monthly Meeting a transfer of membership from our meeting.

We have also received a letter from Theodore F. Ferris, rector of Trinity Church in Boston, dated Fifth Month 7th and stating that Priscilla Perry Hall and her sons, Francis C. Hall, Jr., George Atwater Hall, and Howland Porter Hall had been received into membership at Trinity. Their request for a letter to Trinity terminating their membership in Westerly Monthly Meeting was informally approved after meeting on Fourth Month 27th.

The clerk reported that the local high schools had decided not to hold a one-day institute on International Relations. We were disappointed

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that the project had been given up but decided to offer a scholarship to the summer meetings at Friendly Crossways and to look into the possibility of underwriting the moving picture "Ghandi" for the local schools.

Mary H. Damerel, clerk

Seventh Month 11th

At Westerly Monthly Meeting held on Seventh Month 11th:

The representatives to attend the Quarterly Meeting to be held at North Dartmouth on Seventh Month 17th are Phoebe Perry and Mary Damerel. Phoebe Perry is appointed a representative to the Meeting on Ministry and Counsel.

We have received requests to contribute to the following: the Orlando, Florida, Meeting House Building Fund, Yearly Meeting Camp, and a concern of the Washington Meeting for a badly injured member whose medical expenses are beyond his ability to meet. Friends may contribute individually.

Mary H. Damerel, clerk

Tenth Month 3rd.

At Westerly Monthly Meeting held on Tenth Month 3rd:

The representatives appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting to be held at Sayleville on Tenth Month 16th are Julianna Perry and Harvey Perry. Thomas Perry is appointed a representative to the Meeting on Ministry and Counsel.

A letter from the Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting on Ministry and Counsel has been read with the concern expressed at its meeting in Seventh Month that local committees on Ministry and Counsel be encouraged to take a positive stand against war and militarism.

Milton Hadley's letter concerning our contribution this year to the Five Years' Meeting Building Fund has been read. Last year $50 was given, but due to the fact that the expense for repairs to our meeting house has been heavy it seems advisable to table the matter until another meeting when we may hear the treasurer's report and be advised by him.

We have considered the possibility of arranging for a High School Institute on International Relations to be held at the Y. M. C. A. in the spring. Julianna Perry is appointed to confer with the director of the Y. M. C. A.

A letter from Friends in Lancaster, Pennsylvania, requests contributions to their meeting house building fund. Friends may give individually if they wish.

The Fourth Query has been read.
Mary H. Dameral, clerk

First Month 7th 1955

At Westerly Monthly Meeting held on First Month 7th:

The representatives to attend the Quarterly Meeting to be held in Providence on First Month 15th are Phoebe Perry and Thomas Perry. Mary Dameral is appointed a representative to the Meeting on Ministry and Counsel.

Two financial matters have been discussed. Thomas Perry reported that our payment to the Yearly Meeting treasury of $400 will be sent this month by the treasurer. As the Yearly Meeting Treasurer would appreciate an earlier payment the suggestion that we make our payment in Tenth Month in the future seems a good one.

Because the expense for repairs to the Meeting House have been heavy, we are unable this year to contribute to the Five Year Meeting Building Fund.

We appoint Alice Perry and Margery Taylor to prepare the annual report on the Spiritual condition of the meeting.

First Day, Second Month 6th, has been arranged as the date for the showing of a film, "The Toymaker", and for a supper at the Meeting House. Julianna Perry is appointed chairman of arrangements.

Alice Perry reported that the Clothing Committee has received some recent contributions which can be taken to Providence this week.

Julianna Perry reported that a committee appointed to arrange for a High School Institute of International Relations met on the 5th of this month with school officials, the Y. M. C. A. director and a student from Westerly High School. A tentative date Fifth Month 12th, was set for the Institute which will be held at the Westerly High School in the morning and the Y. M. C. A. in the afternoon. Selected students from both Westerly and Stonington High Schools will participate.

The Friends' Hospital in Western Kenya, which cares for tuberculosis patients, is in need of funds for its building program. This is an especially worthy project to which Friends may contribute.

The 5th and 6th Queries have been read.
Mary H. Dameral, clerk

Fourth Month 3rd

At Westerly Monthly Meeting held on Fourth Month 3rd:

We appoint Margery Taylor and Harvey Perry representatives to the Quarterly Meeting to be held in Westerly

on Fourth Month 16th. Thomas Perry is appointed a representative to the Meeting on Ministry and Counsel.

We appoint Phebe Perry as chairman of arrangements.

Alice Perry reported that the Clothing Committee has a shipment ready to send to Providence.

The statistics concerning membership show a loss of nine members, one by death, four by certificate to another Friends' Meeting, and four by letter to another denomination, with our present membership fifty-eight. There are nineteen resident members and thirty-nine non-resident.

The report on our spiritual condition states that our meeting is striving to attain a deeper spiritual condition. Because of our small numbers our members feel their responsibility and are concerned that we should all keep our minds alert to our spiritual responsibility to the meeting each time we meet.

A report from the committee appointed to arrange for a High School Institute of International Relations informs us that Fifth Month 12th is a suitable date for the two high schools and that the Service Committee hopes to have Thomas Wardle from England as a leader of the topic "Answering the Challenge of Our Times". The expense for the Institute is $40, which will be paid by contributions from Friends who wish to contribute and the treasury, if necessary.

We have discussed a bill to be introduced into the General Assembly to authorize the calling of a referendum to decide whether a race track shall be established in Westerly. We feel concerned to send letters of disapproval to our representatives and senators. Robert Perry is appointed to perform this service.

The 7th query has been read.

Mary H. Dameral, clerk

Seventh Month 3rd

At Westerly Monthly Meeting held on Seventh Month 3rd:

The representatives appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting to be held at North Dartmouth on the 16th of this month are as follows - Margery Taylor, Thomas Perry, and Mary Dameral. Mary Dameral is appointed to attend the Meeting on Ministry and Counsel.

Thomas Perry and Harvey Perry are appointed to confer with the treasurer concerning the need for increasing our contribution during the next fiscal year to the Yearly Meeting treasury.

Julianna Perry reported that the High School Institute held in Fifth Month was highly successful. Cecil Hinshaw was the principal speaker.

With the cooperation of the American Friends Service Committee we have decided to sponsor the admission to the United States and residence in Westerly of Johannes H. A. Helbich and his wife, Kaethe Dorothea Helbich, now residing in West Berlin as refugees from the East Zone of Germany. Julianna and Harvey Perry and the Clerk were appointed to arrange for their admission.

Mary H. Dameral, clerk

Ninth Month 25th

At Westerly Monthly Meeting held on Ninth Month 25th:

The representatives to attend the Quarterly Meeting to be held at Sayleville on Tenth Month 15th are Phoebe Perry, Alice Perry, and Mary Dameral. Phoebe Perry is appointed a representative to the Meeting on Ministry and Counsel.

A letter asking for an addition to our contribution to the Five Years' Meeting Building Fund has been read. Thomas Perry and Harvey Perry are appointed to confer with the treasurer concerning this matter.

The meeting approves the purchase of a recorder's book.

Julianna and Harvey Perry are appointed representatives to the seminar for clerks, recorders, treasurers and members of the Meeting on Ministry and Counsel to be held at Allen's Neck on Tenth Month 2nd.

Mary H. Dameral, clerk

First Month 8th 1956

At Westerly Monthly Meeting held on First Month 8, 1956:

We appoint Margery Taylor and Thomas Perry representatives to the Quarterly Meeting to be held in Providence on First Month 21st. Thomas Perry is appointed our representative to the Meeting on Ministry and Counsel.

The treasurer is authorized to send a check for $25 to the committee in charge of the Lincoln School Drive for funds as a token of our interest in this project. Members have contributed individually.

The clerk read a letter from Heinrich and Dorothea Helbich of Bremen, Germany, expressing their happiness in the thought of coming to the United States in 1956. As yet they do not know the time of their arrival in Westerly.

Harbey Perry presented a letter from the

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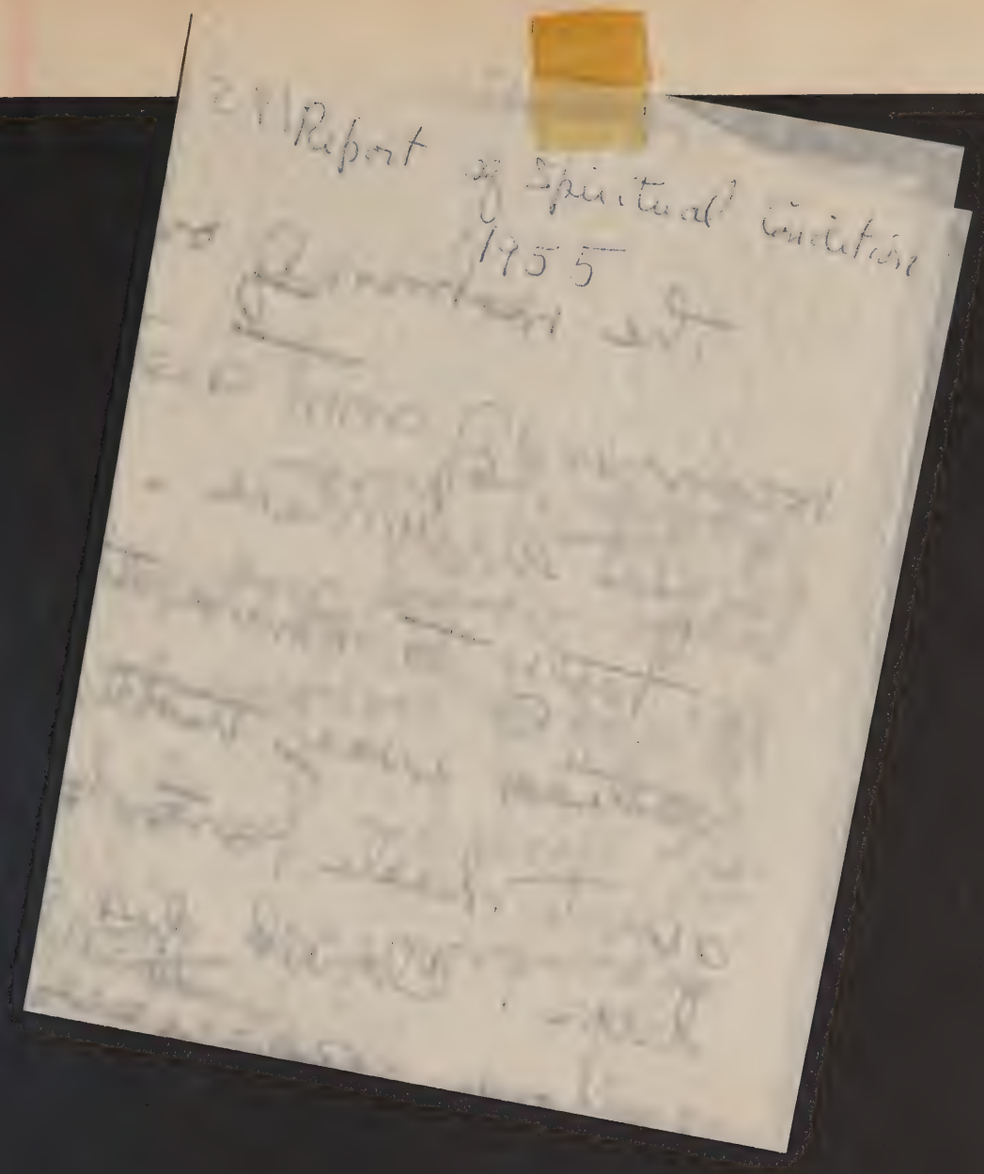
The weakness of our meeting is the weakness of most meetings and churches for the same reason - We concentrate [illegible] on trying to make the world better - rather than realizing that we [illegible] the light into dark places. Christ did not create any welfare agencies - but all welfare agencies owe their existence to Him. If through prayer and meditation we can absorb some of His spirit we may bring the love of God into our hearts & lives

Phoebe Perry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Dunn's Corners Church asking that a member of our meeting speak at that church on Fourth Month 17th on the beliefs of Friends.

Alice Perry reported that the Clothing Committee has recently sent a shipment of clothing to Providence.

Beginning on next First Day we have decided to meet at ten o'clock to read the Journal of George Fox in preparation for the tercentenary commemoration of the landing of Friends in New England. Julianna Perry has agreed to take charge of the first program.

Mary H. Dawerel, clerk

Fourth Month 8th 1956

At Westerly Monthly Meeting held on Fourth Month 8th:

We appoint Harvey Perry and Mary Dawerel representatives to attend the Quarterly Meeting to be held in Westerly on Fourth Month 21st. Julianna Perry is appointed a representative to the Meeting on Ministry and Counsel.

Phoebe Perry is appointed chairman of arrangements for the Quarterly Meeting.

Harvey Perry presented the statistical report for 1955. Westerly Monthly Meeting had at the end of the calendar year a membership of 56, with a resident membership of 18. Two esteemed members, Elizabeth Chase and DeVere Allen, died during the year. Elizabeth Chase died on September 21st and DeVere Allen on August 27th.

A memorial to Devere Allen, written by Thomas Perry, was read and is to be forwarded to the Quarterly and Yearly Meetings.

The report on our spiritual condition, prepared by Phobe Perry, has as its purport the reminder that the weakness of our meeting, like that of all Christian people everywhere, is that we concentrate so completely in trying to make the world better in a practical way that we forget the higher aim, which is to bring the love of God into the hearts of men.

Mary H. Dawerel, clerk

Seventh Month 1st 1956

At Westerly Monthly Meeting held on Seventh Month 1st:

We appoint Phoebe Perry and Huldah Randall representatives to the Quarterly Meeting to be held at North Dartmouth on the 21st of this month and Mary Dawerel to the Meeting on Ministry and Counsel.

As it has been several months since we have heard from Heinrich and Dorothea Helbich, intending coming to this country from Germany, our meeting

MEMORIAL TO DEVERE ALLEN

Devere Allen, who with his wife, Marie, became a member of Westerly Monthly Meeting in 1941, died Eighth Month 27, 1955. He was a convinced Friend. Even before he was drawn to Friends he dedicated his life to championing some of the distinctive principles of the Society. In his sight and in his practice all people were equal before God and were entitled to equal rights regardless of race or creed. Through Worldover Press, which he and Marie Allen edited primarily in the interest of world peace, he made these principles the test of conduct and policy both for individuals and for governments.

Worldover Press furnished news publications with information gathered in many countries by correspondents Devere knew to be accurate and high principled. It proved a unique and very helpful project as a means of advancing international understanding. Finances, however, were always a problem and only the utmost devotion and self-sacrifice kept the publication up to the high standard set for it.

This minimum indication of how Devere Allen sowed his principles will perhaps make it possible to understand how much at home he found himself in a Friends Meeting and how Westerly Monthly Meeting benefited by his presence and his occasional speaking in meeting.

His sympathy and his sense of humor were so quick and he so enjoyed working with others to overcome evil with good on a world scale that the physical strain under which he labored was not apparent. Usually he seemed to have just found some new cause for encouragement. "If thy eye be single...thy whole body shall be full of light."

MEMORIAL TO ELIZABETH M. CHACE

Elizabeth M. Chace was born on Eleventh Month 1st, 1868. She was the daughter of Jonathan and Jane C. Chace, and a birth-right member of the Society of Friends. Most of her life was spent in Rhode Island, first in Valley Falls and later in Providence, where she died on Ninth Month 21, 1955.

She was blessed with a vigorous mind, and her intellectual interests were broad and varied. She read widely in history, philosophy, poetry and religion. This background, coupled with her friendship with people from all walks of life and many parts of the world, made her interesting and vital to all who knew her.

Her lifelong concern for peace among nations found expression in the rebuilding of war-torn French villages and in the supporting of the peace education program of the American Friends Service Committee. For ten years she and her sister, Anna Chace, maintained a home in Geneva, Switzerland, where diplomats of the League of Nations met informally in a friendly atmosphere.

Elizabeth Chace had in her much of the pioneering spirit. She supported the formation of mental hygiene services over three decades ago, and she continued to explore the connection between mentally disturbed individuals and the help that both psychiatry and religion can bring them. Her generous contributions to Pendle Hill were accompanied by her unfailing interests and devotion as a member of its Board of Managers.

Her Christian faith was profound—the result of an unusual intellect vigorously used and a deep and satisfying inner communion. Her serenity and faith were not ready made but came from a hardwon inner peace. Her strong feelings, rigidly controlled and delicately expressed, gave her a real understanding of the searchings, sufferings and triumphs of others. Her loving belief in the capabilities of her friends inspired them to greater undertakings. Providence Meeting wishes to bear witness to the lessons which she has taught it. Throughout her life she sought for Divine Guidance, and when changes seemed necessary for the good of the Meeting, she gave them her vigorous and wholehearted support.

We are mindful of the rare heritage which Elizabeth Chace has left to us. She has given us a clearer realization of the value of humility, of generosity of self, of interest in our fellow beings and of the transforming power of living by the Light Within.

Total	4
Budget expenditures	$15,535.48
Miscellaneous expenditures	15,086.94
Total	3

ly hesitate to encourage the erection of statues of me
the issues of religious liberty and civil rights symb
in Mary Dyer's life, and the auspices under which the
is to be erected seemed reassuring.

35. A letter was read from Herbert Hadley, G
Secretary of the Friends World Committee, rem
Friends of the great strength we all feel from our co
witness to Truth which rises above the varieties of p
ure and method which characterize our Society.

Julianna Perry presented the report of the F
World Committee, and spoke of the fine spirit of
standing and love evidenced during the sixth session
World Committee in Germantown, Ohio in 1955.

Helpful comments were made on significant a
of the work of the Friends World Committee which
sents the worldwide family of Friends.

Frost, Milton Hadley and others commended the fin
program and working spirit of the Friends Commit
National Legislation and urged continued and inc
support.

23. George Bliss reported on the work of the Am
Friends Service Committee. The need for clothing con
to be urgent. Our Yearly Meeting appoints six repr
atives to the corporation of the American Friends S
Committee who are also encouraged to attend the Exe
Council of the New England Regional Office of the A
C. as ex officio members. Friends were reminded
current program of the New England Regional Offi
cluding the National Literature Program which speci
in pacifist material and other publications from a
which are not readily accessible through other cha

Announcements were made of fall meetings fo
ker Men, for the United Society of Friends Women, a
the annual Conference of Meeting Workers from New
and New England Yearly Meetings at Woolman Hill,
Month 23-25, 1956.

REPORT OF MILTON HADLEY AS FIELD SECRETAI

For ten of the past twelve months, the Yearly Meeting
one part time Field Secretary who has sought to carry on the
He attended quarterly, monthly and local meetings as n
seemed to require. An unusual amount of time has been dev
visitors within our limits, who included: Paul Sekiya, the Har
family, Dorothy and Ruth Pitman, Raymond Wilson and
Lung'aho. We believe their visits enriched us.

The Field Secretary has edited three issues of **The New E
Friend**, made three visits to Friends of the Upper Connecticut
and attended three gatherings in Richmond, Indiana: Five Years
ing sessions, the Secretaries' Conference and the Committee on
terial Training. Time was taken for an extended trip among F

As a full-time Field Secretary it will be our purpose to p
the continued growth of the stronger meetings, to give assista
those meetings which are having difficulty to progress or gro

has agreed to sponsor, the clerk is requested to write the Service Committee to inquire as to the time of their arrival.

Julianna Perry announced that Louise and Robert Wilson with their two children are to be at Havershaw during Seventh Month and hope that during that time they may be of service to our meeting. We appreciate their interest and willingness to be of help and look forward to having them with us.

The clerk read the First Query.

Mary H. Damerel, clerk.

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At Westerly Monthly Meeting held on Tenth Month 7th:

The representatives appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting to be held in Sayleville on the 20th are Margery Taylor and Mary Damerel, and to the Meeting on Ministry and Counsel, Thomas Perry.

In accordance with the request of the clerk of the Quarterly Meeting on Ministry and Counsel Friends are asked to prepare themselves more carefully for that meeting.

Some time has been given to a discussion of John Green's concern for the establishment of a Quaker residential center in Boston.

The Second Query has been read.

Mary H. Damerel, clerk

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At Westerly Monthly Meeting held on First Month 13, 1957:

We appoint Alice Perry and Margery Taylor representatives to attend the Quarterly Meeting to be held in Providence on First Month 19th, and to the Meeting on Ministry and Counsel, Mary Dameral.

The clerk is directed to record our appreciation of the visit of Charles Marland, an English Friend, of Eleventh Month 11, 1956.

A letter from Nancy Taylor Stokes requesting a transfer of membership from this meeting to Mt. Holly Monthly Meeting in Mt. Holly, New Jersey, which she now attends with her husband, has been read. Her request is approved, and the clerk is directed to forward a removal certificate to her.

The Third Query has been read.

Mary H. Dameral, clerk

At Westerly Monthly Meeting held on Fourth Month 14, 1957:

We appoint the following representatives to attend the Quarterly Meeting to be held in Westerly on Fourth Month 20th: Phoebe Perry and Harvey Perry, and to the Meeting on Ministry and Counsel, Mary Dameral.

Julianna Perry is appointed chairman of arrangements.

Harvey Perry presented the statistical report to the calendar year ending December 31, 1956. Our present membership is 48, a net loss of 8 from last year. Of this number, seven were by certificate to another Friends' meeting and one by letter to another denomination.

Julianna Perry presented the report on the spiritual condition of the meeting. It notes an almost imperceptible but steady growth. The average attendance on First Day is almost double that of the last two years. In addition to our fifteen local members there are about thirty others who attend or are served by our meeting. Both attenders and members have participated more actively in vocal ministry.

Alice Perry reported that the clothing committee has a shipment ready to take to Providence.

The clerk read a letter from Heinrich Hellrich and his wife, of Bremen, Germany, stating that they have decided not to emigrate to the United States and expressing their appreciation

of our wish to sponsor their settlement in Westerly. The clerk was directed to write them and to express our regret in this matter.

Mary H. Dawood, clerk

Fifth Month 19th 1957 — At a special monthly meeting held on Fifth Month, 19, 1957:

We have received a letter from New York Monthly Meeting stating that on Fifth Month 1st a communication was received from Raymond Titus of Stonington asking that his certificate of membership be transferred from New York Monthly Meeting to Westerly Monthly Meeting and that his request was approved.

The clerk is directed to acknowledge this communication, and he is welcomed into our membership.

Mary H. Dawood, clerk

Seventh Month 14th 1957 — At Westerly Monthly Meeting held on Seventh Month 14, 1957:

Representatives appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting to be held in North Dartmouth on Seventh Month 20th are Phebe Perry and Mary Dawood.

The clerk is directed to record in the minutes our appreciation of the visit on Sixth Month 30th of Edith Edenberger who has been visiting among New England Friends with a minute from Lansdowne Monthly Meeting.

Mary H. Dawood, clerk

Ninth Month 29th 1957 — At Westerly Monthly Meeting held on Ninth Month 29, 1957:

Representatives appointed to attend Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting to be held at Smithville on Tenth Month 19th are Alice Perry and Thomas Perry.

Julianna Perry, Alice Perry, and Phebe Perry are appointed members of a committee to arrange for a supper preceding Levinas Painters talk on Tenth Month 5th.

Mary H. Dawood, clerk

Eleventh Month 24th 1957 — At a special monthly meeting held on Eleventh Month 24, 1957:

The clerk has read a letter from Claire and Eric Hofer dated Eleventh Month 17th

requesting that their three children - Eric Llewellyn Hofer, aged 14, Patricia Perry Hofer, aged 11, and Elizabeth Minturn Hofer, aged 10 - become associate members of Westerly Monthly Meeting.

The children have attended meeting occasionally for a number of years and have now expressed a desire to be affiliated with it.

We write with this request, and they are warmly welcomed into membership.

Mary H. Dameral, clerk

First Month 5th 1958

At Westerly Monthly Meeting held on First Month 5, 1958:

Representatives appointed to attend Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting and the Meeting on Ministry and Counsel are Marjorie Taylor and Phebe Perry.

A letter from Clayton J. Brown, chairman of the Finance Committee of New England Yearly Meeting, appealing for increased funds for Yearly Meeting support has been read. As our usual contribution has been $500 we do not feel we should increase our payment at this time.

Christmas greeting cards from Russell and Ruth Adams and Heinrich and Dorothea Helbich of Bremen, Germany, have been read.

The first and second queries have also been read.

Mary H. Dameral, clerk

Third Month 30th 1958

At Westerly Monthly Meeting held on Third Month 30th, 1958:

Raymond Titus, Harvey Perry, and Mary Dameral are appointed representatives to attend the Quarterly Meeting and Meeting on Ministry and Counsel to be held in Westerly on Fourth Month 19th.

Phebe Perry will serve as chairman of the committee on arrangements.

The statistics for 1957 have been compiled and read by Harvey Perry. Our present adult membership is 47, and we have three associate members. There are sixteen resident and thirty-one non-resident members. The present membership is a net loss of one from last year. We have received one new member by certificate from another Friends' meeting and have lost two, one by death and one by certificate to another Friends' meeting. The

average attendance at worship on First Day has been ten.

The annual report of the spiritual condition of the meeting, prepared by Robert Perry, has also been read. It reminds us that the volume of spiritual faith expressed in daily living is not so important as its quality. Commendable as the spiritual condition of our members appears to be, if one attempts to appraise it by the way they express it in their daily living, this is not enough, for we are not to measure our success in life by comparing our lives with those of others. It can be determined only by the way we follow the example of Jesus.

Mary H. Damerel, clerk

Sixth Month 29th 1958

At a special monthly meeting held on Sixth Month 29, 1958:

This meeting was called to consider a letter from Sylvia C. Perry requesting clearance of her marriage this summer to Dr. Fortunato Castillo of Boston.

Alice Perry and Elizabeth Gougaware were appointed to confer with them.

Mary H. Damerel, clerk

Seventh Month 13th 1958

At Westerly Monthly Meeting held on Seventh Month 13, 1958:

Alice Perry reported for the committee appointed on Sixth Month 29th to consider Sylvia C. Perry's request for clearance of her marriage to Dr. Fortunato Castillo that there is no obstruction to the marriage.

A letter received from the Friends' meeting in Matehuala, Mexico, of which Dr. Castillo has always been a member, states that his meeting considers there is no obstruction to his marriage. A letter from the 57th Street Monthly Meeting of the Five Years meeting in Chicago expresses appreciation of his membership there and approval of his marriage.

Thomas Perry and Alice Perry were appointed a committee to have oversight of the marriage, which will take place at the meeting house on Eighth Month 16th at three o'clock.

Necessary repairs to the meeting house

were discussed.

The representatives appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting and Meeting on Ministry and Counsel to be held at North Dartmouth on Seventh Month 19th were Alice Perry and Mary Damerel.

Mary H. Damerel, clerk

At Westerly Monthly Meeting held on Tenth Month 5th, 1958:

The Representatives to the Quarterly Meeting and the Meeting on Ministry and Counsel to be held at Sayleswille on Tenth Month 18th, are Harvey C. Perry and Marjorie B. Taylor.

Alice Perry reported that the marriage of Sylvia C. Perry to Dr. Fortunato Castillo on Eighth Month, 16th, was suitably and impressively solemnized in accordance with Friends principles.

The resignation of Mary H. Damerel as Clerk of this Meeting was accepted with regret and with appreciation of her long and faithful service in that position.

Marjorie B. Taylor was appointed to succeed Mary H. Damerel as Clerk.

Thomas Perry, Clerk for the day.

At Westerly Monthly Meeting held Twelfth Month 28th 1958:

The Representatives appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting and the Meeting for Ministry and Council to be held at Providence on First Month 17th are Thomas Perry, Mary Damerel & Marjorie Taylor.

It was agreed that the Westerly Meeting send $25 to the Migrant Ministry Committee.

The first Query was read.

At Westerly Monthly Meeting held Fourth Month 12th, 1959 Phebe Perry and Thomas Perry were appointed representatives to attend the morning meetings, and Alice Perry and Katherine Viles were appointed representatives to attend the afternoon meetings, of the Quarterly Meeting to be held at Westerly on April 18th, 1959.

At Westerly Monthly Meeting held Seventh Month 12th, 1959, Phebe Perry, Alice Perry and Mary Damerel were appointed representatives to attend the Quarterly Meeting to be held at North Dartmouth, Massachusetts on Seventh Month 18th.

Thomas Perry told us of the finding among the papers of his ~~great grandmother~~ Aunt, Ruth Foster, an account of a Quarterly Meeting held about 1890 at Westerly, with a nearly verbatim report of a sermon by John W. Foster. The hope was expressed that a copy of this report might be secured and added to the records of Westerly Monthly Meeting.

At Westerly Monthly Meeting held Ninth Month 27th, 1959 Harvey and Julianna Perry and Mary Damerel were appointed representatives to attend the Quarterly Meeting at Saltsville, Rhode Island on Tenth Mo. 17th.

Following the Meeting for Worship on January 10th 1960, Phebe Perry and Mary Damerel were appointed Representatives to attend the Quarterly Meeting at Providence on January 16th.

At Westerly Monthly Meeting held on April 10th, 1960, Thomas Perry, Alice Perry and Marjorie Taylor were appointed representatives to attend Quarterly Meeting at Providence on April 16th.

A Special Monthly Meeting was held before the Meeting for Worship on May 22, 1960 to consider the application of Roscoe Howard, III for membership in our Meeting. His letter of April 30, 1960 to the Meeting was read and favorably received.
Thomas Perry and Frederick C. Buffum were appointed a Committee to talk with Roscoe Howard and make their report at next Sunday's Meeting.

At a Special Meeting held before the Meeting for Worship on June 5, 1960, Thomas Perry and Frederick C. Buffum reported very favorably upon the Application for Membership in Westerly Monthly Meeting of Roscoe Howard, III, and he was gratefully received into Membership.
A letter informing Roscoe Howard of the favorable action and warm welcome of the Meeting was handed him by the Clerk.

At Westerly Monthly Meeting held on July 3, 1960 Harvey and Julianna Perry were appointed Representatives to attend the joint Quarterly Meeting of Rhode Island and Sandwich Meetings to be held at Apponaganett, Mass. on July 9th.
Mention was made of the reciept of a Certificate of Removal and forms for the J. Barton Wills family on behalf of Haddonfield Monthly Meeting. The Clerk was authorized to complete these and return them to the Clerk of Haddonfield Monthly Meeting. This being done, the J. Barton Wills family now are members of Westerly Monthly Meeting.

At Westerly Monthly Meeting held on October 9, 1960 Alice Perry and Marjorie Taylor were appointed representatives to attend the Quarterly Meeting to be held at Saltsville on October 15, 1960.

At Westerly Monthly Meeting held on December 18, 1960. Borton and Alice Wills, Alice Perry, Phebe Perry and Thomas Perry were appointed representatives to attend the Quarterly Meeting to be held at Providence on January 21, 1961.

(Note: March 26, 1961. The above Quarterly Meeting was not held, due to heavy snow.)

At Westerly Monthly Meeting held March 26, 1961 Borton and Alice Wills, and Alice Perry were appointed representatives to attend the Quarterly Meeting to be held at Providence on April 15th.

A letter was read from William Anders and Renika Goldmann announcing their intention of marriage and requesting that they be married under the care of Westerly Monthly Meeting on April 22nd.

Harvey Perry and Borton Wills were appointed to examine William Anders, and Julianna Perry and Alice Wills to take similar action with Renika Goldmann.

Frederick C. Baffin gave an encouraging report of the meeting at Cambridge, Mass. on March 18th at which the Committee of the New England Friends Home announced the gift by Polly Thayer Starr of her mother's home in Hingham, Mass. to New England Yearly Meeting, and the Committee plans to make it a New England Friends Home.

Mary Damerel, as a member with Henry Foster and Harold Myers, of the Othniel Tripp Fund for school aid, reported a request had been made for a secondary school student, and that we give it our consideration.

She asked also, that a letter of appreciation be sent by the Clerk to Hilda Randall for her recent gift to the Meeting of a number of books.

At Westerly Monthly Meeting held on July 9, 1961 Eva L. Foster and Mary H. Damerel were appointed representatives to attend Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting to be held at Westerly on July 15th.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting held at Westerly on July 15th, the following Minute was read, which will be carried by Harvey and Julianna Perry to Friends in East Africa Yearly Meeting and in Southern Rhodesia as they attend as delegates from New England Yearly Meeting the Eighth Meeting of the Friends' World Committee for Consultation in Africa next month.

The Minute

To Friends in East Africa Yearly Meeting and in Southern Rhodesia:

Harvey and Julianna Perry, members in good standing

with as. Members of our Meeting on Ministry and Counsel, and Delegate and Alternate from New England Yearly Meeting, to the Eighth Meeting of the Friends World Committee for Consultation, have informed us of their concern to visit individual Friends and Friends' Meetings in East Africa and in Salisbury. We unite with their concern to visit you and commend them to you.

Signed on behalf of Westerly Monthly Meeting.
Marjorie B. Taylor, Clerk

Endorsed in, and on behalf of Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting held at Westerly on July 15th, 1961
Irving R. Hardy, Clerk

At the conclusion of the Meeting for worship on Sunday, September 9th, Phebe Perry announced that she had received a letter from the Service Committee in Philadelphia urging each Monthly Meeting to send telegrams to President Kennedy and Senators Fulbright, Dirksen, Humphrey, Pell and Pastore protesting the renewal of atomic bomb testing by the United States and requesting its postponement until after the United Nations meets.

The telegrams were sent by the clerk, after the appointed Committee of three, (Thomas Perry, Polly Fuller, and Marjorie Taylor), met to consider the matter

A letter addressed to the Meeting was received from Patricia Quigg Smith requesting membership in Westerly Monthly Meeting. A Committee of two, (Julianna Perry and Marjorie Taylor), was appointed to consider her request and to bring their recommendations to the regular Monthly Meeting on September 24th.

At Westerly Monthly Meeting held on September 24th the Committee appointed to consider the application of Patricia Smith for membership in Westerly Meeting reported favorably and the Meeting united in accepting her into membership.

Thomas Perry spoke concerning an invitation to the Meeting, through a letter from John R. Killam, to become an organization member of the Rhode Island Committee on Discrimination in Housing and join in the work of that body. The Meeting was united in its decision to become a member of this Committee and the following minute written by Thomas Perry was sent to John R. Killam at Providence.

After study of literature received in a letter from John R. Kellam, dated July 15, 1961, regarding the work of the Rhode Island Committee on Discrimination in Housing, this Meeting finds itself in sympathy with the Committee's purposes, form of organization and operating methods. We believe that the Committee offers unequalled advantages for working practically to overcome racial prejudice and antagonism.

We therefore welcome the opportunity of becoming an organization member of this Committee, understanding that by example and persuasion, it encourages attitudes and practices in the selling and leasing of residence property designed to lead to the passage and satisfactory enforcement of a Fair Housing bill for Rhode Island.

As our Organization member representatives we name - Roscoe Howard and Thomas Perry.

Sept. 24, 1961. At Westerly Monthly Meeting held on September 24th Representatives to attend Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting were Patricia Smith and Marjorie Taylor. To be held on October 21st. at Salesville, Rhode Island. Patricia Smith and Polly Fuller attended.

Jan. 14, 1962. At Westerly Monthly Meeting held on January 14th, 1962. Thomas Perry and Patricia Smith were appointed representatives to attend Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting to be held at Providence on January 20th.

Feb. 4, 1962. Extract from the Minutes of a Business Meeting of Westerly Monthly Meeting of Friends, held February 4th, 1962. (Written by Thomas Perry)

Under Consideration in this Meeting have been the two bills relating to discrimination in housing before the present session of the Rhode Island Legislature, one at the instigation of the Rhode Island Committee on Discrimination in Housing (Bill H 1007 in the House and S 21 in the Senate), and the other presented by the Governor of the State.

The Meeting is united in the opinion that the Committee Bill is preferable, since the Governor's bill does not recognize equal housing as a civil right, does not provide coverage sufficient for present needs, and lacks adequate enforcement provisions. (A copy of this Minute was sent to John R. Kellam, Prov.)

Also under Consideration were further particulars from the Friends Service Committee, in regard to the rehabilitation of Cuban refugees.

March 25 1962

At Westerly Monthly Meeting of Friends held on March 25, 1962, Polly Fuller and Alice Perry were named Representatives to attend Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting to be held at North Dartmouth, Massachusetts on April 21st. (Polly Fuller and Marjorie Taylor attended.)

Thomas Perry was appointed at this meeting (Apr. 21) Rep. to Yearly Mtg.

Patricia Smith, a member of our Meeting and member of the Peace and Social Concerns Committee of New England Yearly Meeting volunteered to go to Washington, D.C. to join in the Quaker Witness for Peace to be held there from April 28 to May 1. She gave us an interesting, encouraging report of this witness upon her return.

June 17, 1962. At Westerly Monthly Meeting held June 17, 1962, Julianna Perry and Patricia Smith were appointed Representatives to attend Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting to be held at Westerly on July 21, 1962.

July 21st 1962

Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting met at Westerly on July 21st 1962 with the Meeting for Ministry and Counsel at 10:30 A.M. followed by Meeting for worship at 11. Lunch at 12:15 was followed by the Business Meeting.

At 2 P.M. William C. Griswold, recently returned from two years service in Algeria for the A.F.S.C. gave an informative talk with slides and moving pictures taken in Algeria, showing great need there for clothing, food and shelter.

Oct. 14, 1962 At Westerly Monthly Meeting of Friends held on October 14, 1962, Polly Fuller and Patricia Smith were appointed Representatives to attend R.I. Quarterly Meeting to be held on October 20th, at Saylesville, Rhode Island.

The need for adult accessories for the Sunday School room was voiced, and approval expressed for this purchase.

Dec. 30, 1962. At Westerly Monthly Meeting of Friends held on December 30th 1962, Alice Perry and Mary Damerel were appointed Representatives to attend Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting at Providence on January 19th 1963.

Alice Perry spoke of the need for clothing in Algeria and asked for volunteers to help her with sewing. The need in Algeria for blankets is also great. We are appealing for each family to send a blanket.

Feb. 10, 1963. At a Special Business Session of Westerly Monthly Meeting of Friends held February 10, 1963, a Minute which was drawn up and read by Thomas Perry, was adopted as follows -

This Meeting favors and urges its members to work for the passage of a bill introduced into the Rhode Island legislature on or about January 2, 1963, entitled "An Act," etc in regard to fair housing.

The Meeting recognizes that no legislation of this kind would be required to carry out the aims defined at length in the Bill if the country up to this time had lived up to the principles enunciated in the Federal and State Constitutions, or if it had observed the fundamental principles professed on the subject by Christians generally. Since the need for government regulation in this respect has been amply demonstrated, this Meeting fully approves the Bill as introduced in the Rhode Island legislature after long investigation of the subject.

A letter was read from Eva L. Foster of Clearwater, Florida requesting the transfer of her membership in Westerly Monthly Meeting to Clearwater Monthly Meeting, and that she might become an Associate Member of Westerly Monthly Meeting. Her request was approved and a Certificate of transfer sent to the Clerk of Clearwater Monthly Meeting.

The Treasurer, Frederick C. Buffum, presented the need for financial assistance of Marie Allen of Wilton, Conn. a former member of this Meeting, and his recomendation to send her five hundred dollars approved.

Mar. 31, 1963. At Westerly Monthly Meeting of Friends held on March 31st 1963, Harvey C. Perry and Marjorie B. Taylor were appointed Representatives to Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting to be held at Westerly on April 20th.

Mary Babcock, Julianna Perry and Marjorie Taylor were asked to prepare a Report of the Spiritual Condition of Westerly Monthly Meeting.

The 4th Query for Meetings on Ministry and Counsel was read.

Harvey and Julianna Perry plan to attend the United Nations sessions on April 4th and 5th as Representatives of this Meeting.

June 16, 1963. At Westerly Monthly Meeting of Friends held on June 16, 1963 Patricia Smith and Polly Fuller were appointed Representatives to attend Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting to be held at Sandwich, Massachusetts on July 13th, 1963.

Thomas Perry and Alice Perry were appointed to attend Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting to be held at North Dartmouth, Mass. on July 20th, 1963.

The first Query, from the Revised Queries, was read.

Harvey and Julianna Perry reported that they attended the United Nations Sessions on April 4th and 5th in New York, and that they will give a report to the Meeting on Next Sunday.

Sept. 22, 1963 At Westerly Monthly Meeting of Friends held on September 22nd, 1963. Alice Edge Perry and Harvey C. Perry were appointed Representatives to attend Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting to be held at Westerly on October 19th.

A letter to Bishop Higgins of the Episcopal Diocese of Rhode Island, drawn up by Thomas Perry was presented and approved. (Copy of the letter herewith and mailed to Bishop Higgins on October 26th.

Jan. 5, 1964. At Westerly Monthly Meeting of Friends held on January 5th 1964, a letter was read from Edward C. White, Clerk of Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting, asking that one or two of our members be appointed to serve on a Nominating Committee for the next Quarterly Meeting to be held at Providence on April 18th. Marjorie Taylor was appointed.

Patricia Smith was appointed to write the report of the Spiritual Condition of Westerly Meeting.

Frederick C. Buffum, Treasurer, read a letter from Finley H. Perry, Treas. of N.E. Yearly Meeting, which asked that Meetings increase their Yearly Meeting Contributions — after he reported that Westerly Meeting's Contribution to the Yearly Meeting of $600 (an increase of $100 over previous years) was paid in December 1963.

Query Number 11, from the Revised Queries, was read.

March 22, 1964. At Westerly Monthly Meeting of Friends held on March 22, 1964, Patricia Smith and Marjorie Taylor were appointed Representatives to attend Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting to be held at Providence on April 18th.

A report of the Spiritual Condition of Westerly Meeting was read and it was felt to be a true report to be passed on to the Quarterly Meeting.

Attention was called to the Public Witness for Race in 1964

to be held in Boston on March 27th. Patricia Smith was appointed Overseer from this Meeting to attend.

Sept. 27 1964

At Westerly Monthly Meeting of Friends held on September 27, 1964. Alice C. Wills and Frederick C. Buffum were appointed Representatives to attend Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting to be held at Westerly on October 17th.
The program, as suggested at Quarterly Meeting in North Dartmouth in July, will be a Discussion of the Meaning of Membership in the Society of Friends to be led by George Selleck of Cambridge Meeting, Mass.
Instead of reading a Query, the first paragraph on the "Basis of Membership" from "Faith and Practice", Part II, approved June 1964 was read.
Alice Wills and Marjorie Taylor were appointed to prepare the Tables, etc for the Quarterly Meeting.

April 4. 1965

At Westerly Monthly Meeting of Friends held on April 4th 1965. Mary Damerel and Marjorie Taylor were appointed Representatives to attend Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting at Providence on April 17th.
The 4th Query from the Revised Queries was read.

July 11. 1965

At Westerly Monthly Meeting held on July 11th 1965. Mary Damerel and Laura Fuller were appointed Representatives to attend Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting to be held at North Dartmouth Massachusetts on July 17th.

Oct. 3. 1965

At Westerly Monthly Meeting held on October 3d 1965 Claire Hofer and Thomas Perry were appointed Representatives to attend Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting at Westerly on October 16th.
In the afternoon at this Meeting, Hulda Randall will speak on her experiences as a Librarian in the American School for Boys in Turkey.
Mary Damerel reported as a representative to the Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting held at North Dartmouth on July 17th 1965.
The need for intervisitation was discussed at this Meeting, and Representatives were appointed to attend the Sandwich Quarterly Meeting to be held on October 9th at South Dartmouth, Mass.
The first three Queries (general) from the new Discipline were read. Mary Damerel for M.B.J.

Westerly Monthly Meeting of Friends supports Senate Bill 13, the proposed Equal Housing Opportunities Act, and urges its adoption by the Rhode Island General Assembly. This Bill is more sweeping than others so far introduced at this Legislative session, to prevent racial discrimination in housing, but we believe its enactment would [illegible] Rhode Island the foundation [illegible] of orderly and generally satisfactory housing. While regretting the necessity for modifying property rights in housing, past experience and present practice leave no doubt as to that necessity in diversified communities such as comprise Rhode Island.

Feb. 28, 1965 approved by Westerly Monthly Meeting.

2 Margin Street
Westerly, Rhode Island

March 20, 1966

At the Westerly Monthly Meeting of Friends, held on March 20th, after the regular Sunday morning meeting for worship, Patricia Smith and William Fink were appointed Representatives to attend the Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting at Providence on April 1, 1966

Julianna Perry reported the birth of Christina Agnes Anders on February 27th 1966 and requested that she be listed as an Associate member of this Meeting, both her parents being members

Harvey and Julianna Perry were nominated as possible representatives from the Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting to attend New England Yearly Meeting in June.

The eleventh and twelfth Queries from the new discipline were read.

Claire P. Hofer, Clerk

June 19, 1966

After the regular Meeting for Worship, the Westerly Monthly Meeting of Friends was held on June 19th.

Inasmuch as Harvey and Julianna Perry found they would be unable to attend New England Yearly Meeting, the Clerk was asked to inform the clerk of R.I. Quarterly Meeting of this and to suggest the name of Patricia Smith, from this Meeting, as alternate.

A letter was read from Howard Schless, member of Guilford, Conn. Monthly Meeting and a summer attender at our Meetings for Worship.

Since the Guilford Meeting has decided to close its activity and be laid down, he asks to transfer his membership to this Meeting.

The members present welcomed this request and appointed Thomas Perry and Claire Hofer to confer with Howard Schless and report at a further meeting.

In answer to the New England Yearly Meeting's request for a pre-publication order of the revised "Faith and Practice Discipline", it was agreed that this Meeting should 10 copies each of the hard back books and paper-covered books. These will not be available, however, until after Oct 1st 1966.

It was decided that the summer schedule for our Meetings for Worship would begin on June 26th - to continue as such until the first Sunday after Labor Day in September.

The Seventh Query from the new discipline was read at the close of the business.

Claire P. Hofer, Clerk

July 10, 1966

At a Special Business meeting held after the Meeting for Worship on July 10th, Howard Schless brought a concern before the Meeting regarding the distressing activities of our country in Vietnam.

He asked that we, as a Meeting, and as individuals, send letters of encouragement and support to those Senators who have expressed opposition to the Government's Vietnam Policy, as well as our prayerful hope that peace negotiations, as outlined by the Secretary General of the United Nations, may be immediately undertaken. The Clerk was instructed to send letters to Senators Javits of N.Y., Wayne Morse of Oregon, Fulbright of Arkansas and Robert Kennedy of N.Y.

Claire P. Hofer, Clerk

July 24, 1966

Mary Wamerel and Howard Schless were asked to represent this Meeting at the joint meeting of the R. I. Quarterly and the Smithfield Quarterly Meetings, to be held on July 30th at Sturbridge Village, Mass in the old Bolton Meeting House.

Aug 21, 1966

A business meeting of the Westerly Monthly Meeting was held on August 21st after the Meeting for Worship.

Thomas Perry, reporting for the committee appointed to confer with Howard Schless, (at the June 19th Business meeting) stated that Howards views were very much in accord with the ways and feelings of this Meeting and recommended that his request to join with us be favorably considered.

Full unity with this recommendation was promptly and joyously expressed and Howard Schless was welcomed as a member of the Westerly Monthly Meeting.

The clerk then read a letter from Howard, asking that his three children be enrolled as associate members.

Thomas Perry pointed out that under the new Discipline of the N. E. Yearly Meeting, the term "associate member" is now being changed to "junior member", which will provide for an age limit to this type of membership.

Thereupon, the following children were gladly accepted as Junior members of this Meeting:

Anne Ghislaine Schless	born	28 May 1952
Anne Nicole Schless	"	14 August 1953
Eric Hugh Schless	"	1 Sept. 1954

Howard Schless had a concern, which he brought before the Meeting regarding the use which the Federal Government is making of his personal income tax dollars.

Many friends feel that, not to pay their taxes is disrespect for the law, which breeds anarchy. Yet, they deplore the fact that their tax money is being used to prosecute a morally indefensible war in Vietnam.

Friends expressed approval of the suggestion that individuals write across the face of their tax bills the following statement: "I (we) herewith pay under protest the portion of this tax that is to be used in support of war."

The Clerk was instructed to inform the clerks of Monthly Meetings of the Quarters of the feeling of our Meeting in this respect, and to send a report of this action to the "Friends Journal".

A First Day School was started earlier this month, for the several youngsters of summer attenders and new members. Allen and Deborah Warren certainly have our gratitude for undertaking the guidance of this lively young group and we are hopeful that there will be enough children, after the summer season, to carry on an active First Day School all year round.

The first Query from the new Discipline was read.

Claire P. Hofer, Clerk

On the afternoon of August 21, 1966, the clerk of this Meeting received a phone call from Erica Enzer, member of the N.E. Committee for Non-violent Action in Voluntown, Conn.

She explained the predicament of a 17 year old girl, Suzanne Williams, who had been arrested with their group during a recent Peace March, protesting the launching of a new atomic submarine at Groton, Conn.

Since the Religious Society of Friends is known to espouse the cause for Peace, Erica Enzer was asking the help of this Meeting To intercede with the authorities in behalf of this young prisoner.

The Non-Violent action group was greatly concerned for Suzanne's health, because, while imprisoned, she had now embarked on a hunger strike in further protest.

The clerk of the Meeting then phoned several members of the Meeting, and on the following day, one concerned friend (H.C. Perry) consulted a Connecticut lawyer, who in turn contacted authorities at Uncasville (Conn.) Prison.

The lawyer was informed that Suzanne's health was being closely watched; that she had been visited by a clergyman as well as by her parents - and that permission for visits to prisoners from strangers could never be granted. Since this Meeting has no Recorded ministers, there was no one from here who could qualify in that capacity and therefore would not be permitted to see Suzanne in prison.

Aug. 28, 1966

On August 28th, a letter received from Erica Enzer, enclosing the detailed account and reasons for Suzanne's arrest, refusal to stand before the Judge and resulting 90 day prison sentence for contempt of court, was read to those friends present, after our Meeting for Worship on First day morning. It was listened to most attentively as Friends took much thought in their consideration of Suzanne Williams' situation.

By allowing herself to be dragged into court and refusing to co-operate with the Judge hearing the case, Suzanne may have brought retribution harsher than would otherwise have been meted out to her; and, sadder still, probably lost the effectiveness and sympathy that a more orderly protest would have produced.

Although concern was expressed for the welfare of the imprisoned girl, it was felt that she surely must have known that sentences are often shortened by good behavior; so if the punishment was more than she had bargained for, she could have been eligible for clemency by obeying prison rules to the letter, instead of antagonizing authorities even further by fasting.

However, right or wrong, since this was her way of objecting to certain aspects of the court that she felt needed correcting, Friends felt that by so doing, she proved that she wanted to fulfill her sentence without outside interference.

Therefore, after thoroughly considering her situation and the reasons behind her actions, it was the feeling of the Westerly Meeting that advice or help might be asked for from the Conn. Civil Liberties Union in Hartford

case - that if any individual friend wished to act in her behalf, he should do so according to his own concience and convictions, but that the Meeting as a group could not concientiously intercede with the authorities for Suzanne, as requested by the N.E. Committee for Non-Violent Action.

Several days later the Connecticut lawyer who had been consulted by H.C. Perry had occasion to be in the vicinity of the prison where Suzanne Williams was being held, so he very kindly took it upon himself to visit her. He was allowed to see her (in his capacity as a lawyer) and reported that she seemed well and she said there was nothing she needed at that time. Because of this report, the telephone inquiring made by the clerk to Conn. Civil Liberties Union, was not followed through.

Sept 25th 1966

After the meeting for worship on First Day, Sept 25th a letter was read, which was received on Sept 19th from the clerk of Mt Toby Monthly Meeting in South Hadley, Mass., asking that the clerk of Westerly Monthly Meeting visit Suzanne Williams at the State Jail in Uncasville, Conn.

Enclosed with the letter was a copy of a Minute approved by the Mt Tobey Meeting at its Sept 14th meeting for business. This Minute stated that their Meeting was united in a sense of concern for Suzanne Williams, an active member of their Youth Group. They felt "a responsibility to express ----- in a Quakerly way" the "religious dimensions of her conscientious stand" with Judge Stapleton and with Suzanne, herself. (A Committee of) 4 was appointed to represent the Mt Tobey Meeting to this end.

The Westerly Monthly Meeting agreed that if the clerk of this Meeting could make arrangements with the jail authorities to see Suzanne Williams, she should do so.

Claire P. Hoffer, Clerk

On Sept 27th, before the clerk of Westerly Monthly Meeting could visit Suzanne Williams, she was released from jail after her lawyer read a statement of apology from her during a special court session.

On October 2nd, Suzanne Williams, with several friends, came to Westerly Meeting to attend our Sunday morning worship. She looked amazingly well and healthy after her 68 days of confinement and seemed to be filled with a quiet strength and calmness of soul which was felt by us all when she spoke a few inspiring words during the hour of worship.

"Westerly Sun" Sept 28, 1966

Is Freed After Court Apology

NEW LONDON, Conn. (AP)—A 17-year-old girl pacifist who was jailed for refusing to rise when her case was called in court has been released after 68 days of confinement.

Circuit Court Judge Luke Stapleton ordered the release of Suzanne Williams Tuesday after the girl's lawyer read a statement of apology from her during a special court session.

Miss Williams was not present. The attorney, Arnold H. Klau of Manchester, said she was returning to the home of her parents in Amherst, Mass., where the father, Shafer Williams, is a college teacher.

Miss Williams was with a group of pacifists arrested for trespassing and resisting arrest July 21. The arrests stemmed from a protest demonstration they staged at the launching of the nuclear submarine Will Rogers in Groton that day.

When the group appeared in Circuit Court for arraignment, Miss Williams refused to rise and approach the bench when summoned. She was cited for contempt of court and sent to the jail in Montville for 30 days.

On Aug. 19, her sentence was extended 60 days when she again refused to conduct herself in the manner the court thought proper.

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Oct 9th 1966 A short, informal meeting was held after the meeting for worship (on Sunday Oct 9th) to remind members of the Westerly Monthly Meeting that the joint RI and Smithfield Quarterly Meetings will be held next Saturday, Oct 15th at Saylesville Meetinghouse.

The planned program for Quarterly Meeting was read to those present and all agreed that the theme of "Toward Cross-Generation Dialogue should be an interesting one.

Deborah Warren was appointed to represent this Monthly Meeting and any other member who could attend, as no one else was certain of being able to go to Saylesville.

A letter was read from the Westerly Pastors Association asking whether the Meeting would like to be among those churches and synagogues listed on an inclusive leaflet, to be distributed by the Welcome Wagon organization and for general distribution. The cost of printing to be shared by each church parish.

The Clerk was instructed to fill out the Questionaire and to accept the invitation to join in the responsibility of this project.

Deborah Warren asked if members were satisfied with the First Day School program she has been carrying out for the five resident children, now that summer attenders have left for the winter. The Meeting again expressed its heartfelt thanks to Deborah and Allen Warren for their conscientious efforts and hopes they would be willing to continue the First Day School classes held in the basement rooms of the meetinghouse, during the first 3/4 hour of the meetings for worship — and that we were glad to have the children come upstairs to join us in the last fifteen minutes of unprogramed worship.

Clare P. Hofer Clerk

Nov 6th A letter was read to those attending the Meeting for worship on Nov 6th from the Committee of Meetings and Church Extension. This Committee, newly created by the N.E. Yearly Meeting last June, wished to visit us with a view to an exchange of ideas and mutual aid to the Yearly Meeting, with the hope of extending the faith and effectiveness of the Religious Society of Friends.

The Clerk was instructed to cordially invite any members of the Committee to come here on Nov. 20th, Dec 4th or Dec 11th. It was hoped that the visitors could come in time to join us for our Meeting for worship, have a "pot-luck" luncheon with us afterward and then return to the meeting-room for discussion at 1 PM.

Clare P. Hofer, Clerk

Dec. 4, 1966 Francis T. Cope, Ward L. Curtis and ~~~ arrived in time for first day Meeting for worship.

Sundown was enjoyed afterward in a feeling of warmth and friendship, ~~and mutual concern~~ followed by an informal gathering in the upstairs meeting-room, where mutual concern for the best ways to make known to others the ideas and ideals of Friends were brought forth for discussion.

Jan 8 1967 A letter was read from Howard Schloss (living in New York City during the winter months) which was postponed until next Sunday to act upon, as friends wished to consider further, Howard's suggestion regarding greater protest of income taxes used for arms and war.

Jan 15, 1967 Most members of the Westerly Monthly Meeting who were present after the regular morning worship on Jan 15th were not in agreement with Howard Schloss' suggestion that the original Minute of this Meeting, (written last August) should be extended to a further degree of protest.

It was felt that sending letters and seperate checks to the President (as Howard suggests) would be a negative and un-friendly approach to the seriousness of war in Vietnam. Even if carried out on a large enough scale to gain the attention of high authority, such agitation could only cause antagonism and would in no way change the present situation, although this was not a completely unanimous feeling.

It seemed to many friends that the varied efforts of the AFSC are positive means of protest which all friends can support.

The clerk was asked to convey to Howard Schloss this general sense of the Meeting regarding his concern, ~~but~~ to remind him that this Meeting does, of course, feel strongly that each individual must act according to his own conscience.

Claire P. Hofer, Clerk

June 25, 1967 At a business session of the Westerly Monthly Meeting, held after first day Meeting for worship on June 25, Mary Kimmel and Patricia Smith were appointed to represent this Meeting at the R. I. Quarterly Meeting to be held at North Dartmouth, Saturday July 15th.

A letter was read from the N.E. Yearly Meeting Christian Education Committee inviting all Monthly Meetings to send active workers to take part in a study course during Yearly Meeting week in August. Debora Warden, leader of our First Day School agreed to attend from this Meeting.

A letter from N.E. Yearly Meeting Peace and Social Concerns Committee was read and, as requested in the letter, we seriously considered this Meeting's responsibility for involvement in counseling about military conscription and service.

We were reminded that the AFSC will gladly send speakers to talk to any group - as well as AFSC film

covering draft board procedures for conciencious objectors

Allen Warren was appointed as Peace and Draft consultant for this Meeting, in coöperation with Mary Wanerel and it was suggested that, when Schools reopen in the fall, they contact guidance advisors of local High Schools to see what can be done about giving information, counsel and support to young men soon to be affected by the draft.

A letter read from the Yearly Meeting Equalization Fund Committee reminded us that gifts for this fund were being welcomed.

Since no one from Westerly was able to attend the last Quarterly Meeting held in April at Woonsocket, a letter of appreciation was received and read from the Recording Clerk of the R. I. Quarterly Meeting "expressing (their) feeling that the report on the Spiritual condition of Westerly Meeting shows unusual vitality and activity, especially for such a small group."

At the close of business, the fourth Querie was read.

Claire P. Hofer, Clerk

July 26, 1967 At a business session of the Westerly Monthly Meeting, held on Wednesday evening, July 26th at the Meeting House, the special minute was resolved and the Clerk instructed to send a copy to Caleb Smith.

He is chairman of the committee appointed by the R. I. Quarterly and the Smithfield Quarterly Meetings to consider the advisability of joining the two, to form one united Quarterly Meeting.

Recommendation for such a union was presented by Caleb Smith at the joint Quarterly Meeting session held at North Dartmouth on July 15th.

The minute formed by this Meeting reads as follows:

"The Westerly Monthly Meeting approves the recommendation that Smithfield and R. I. Quarterly Meetings be united to form one Quarterly Meeting.

"We assume that, in forming such a union, each Monthly Meeting will be allowed to keep its own form of meeting for worship, which will be followed also on the occasions when each Meeting is host to the Quarterly session.

"We expect and will endeavor to send representatives from this Meeting to all Quarterly Meeting sessions, but regret that we cannot give assurance of attendence when the distance is great.

The second Querie was read at close of business.

Claire P. Hofer, Clerk

Dec 3, 1967

A short business meeting was held after the Meeting for worship on December 3rd, to discuss recommendations from the Smithfield and R. I. Quarterly Meetings on Ministry and Council.

Members present approved of the changes suggested with the hope that they would revitalize the meeting on Ministry and Council. However, because there will be so few active members here this winter, the appointment of two representatives and one alternate from this Meeting was post-poned until a later date.

The Clerk was also instructed to suggest, in an answering letter, that if the Meetings for Ministry and Council could be held in Providence, perhaps on Sunday afternoons, it would be easier for Westerly members to attend.

A letter was also read from the N.E Yearly Meeting, stating that that body fell $4000 short of raising its budget last year and has approved an even larger budget this year.

Frederick Barbour said that, in answer to the same letter, which he received as Treasurer, a sum has already been sent from this Meeting to the Finance Committee of the Yearly Meeting.

Claire P. Hofer Clerk

March 29, 1968

At Westerly Monthly Meeting held on March 29, 1968, at the home of Thomas Perry:

The minutes of the meeting held on December 3, 1967 have been read and approved and the Statistics for 1967.

We appoint Allan Warren and John Rounds representatives to attend the Combined meeting of Smithfield and Rhode Island Quarterly Meetings to be held in Providence on Fourth Month 20th.

We have discussed the possibility of arranging a public meeting on the subject of Peace. John Rounds reported that he had been in touch with the Boston office of the American Friends Service Committee. Dalton Shipway from Boston University is available for April 21st. Neither Donald Luce or Russell Johnson is available at this time. Russell Johnson has speaking engagements through July. There is a possibility of Dalton Shipway for the July Quarterly Meeting to be held in Westerly if the Quarterly Meeting Program Committee is interested.

As it now seems late to arrange a public meeting for this spring, Friends feel it best to wait until fall

April 18, 1968

Westerly Monthly Meeting members and other guests were present at a luncheon given by Thomas Perry to hear Bronson Clark of the A.F.S.C., who is traveling through New England to give Friends his report on the situation in Vietnam where he had been working for the A.F.S.C. His report showed us the difficulties facing our government in its efforts to arrange for peace. He also spoke briefly of the need for financial support of the work of the Service Committee.

when Russell Johnson or Donald Luce may be available.

Mary H. Damerel, Clerk-pro-tem

April 7, 1968 We record with appreciation a visit from Margery Wilson, an English Friend, and Daisy Newman. Margery Wilson, who is a member of Bristol and Frenchay Meeting of Bristol, England, brought a minute for herself and her husband, Roger Wilson. Roger Wilson was unable to be present as he has returned to England for a speaking engagement.

Mary H. Damerel, Clerk-pro-tem

April 21, 1968 At a special Monthly Meeting held on Fourth Month 21, 1968:

The clerk read a letter concerning Friends' General Conference to be held at Cape May from June 21-28, 1968. This year each meeting is invited to appoint one representative and an alternate representative.

As no member of our meeting is able to attend, the name of Daisy Newman is suggested. She would like to attend this last session of the Conference as it will be helpful in her preparation of a new book on the history of Friends.

The clerk is directed to forward her name to the general secretary of the Conference.

Mary H. Damerel, Clerk-pro-tem

June 30th 1968 A business meeting was held at the Meeting House on Sixth month 30th immediately following First Day Meeting for Worship.

Daisy Newman, who was appointed as representative for the Monthly Meeting to Friends' General Conference at Cape May, Recounted for us, highlights of the week-long program. One of the most meaningful events was the announcement, in mid-conference, of the imprisonment in Washington of a dozen Friends who had gone to "Resurrection City" to give their support to the Poor People's campaign to have favorable legislation passed by Congress.

Young Friends at the Conference then challenged Friends' General Conference to stand behind this act of Civil Disobedience. After much thoughtful deliberation, a minute was formed at the Conference Committing all Friends' Meetings (through their Conference representatives) to give their loving support of this movement "physically, spiritually, and monetarily"

A letter was read from the Cambridge Clothing Center of A.F.S.C. telling of their growing concern for Appalachia and the need in that area of our country for clothing, yard goods, sheets, blankets and school supplies. Westbury Friends desiring to donate any of

these items may contact Claire Hofer, who will see that they are delivered to the Clothing Center in Cambridge

A letter from Friends Committee on National Legislature states that more money is needed by them at this time for concentrated work in Washington on special legislature for the Poor People. The F.C.N.L. feels that $200 from each of 200 Monthly Meetings would meet the immediate need, if this could be accomplished.

Inasmuch as Westerly is such a small Meeting and has already given ~~contribution~~ to N.E. Yearly Meeting in support of such projects, it was ~~felt that a smaller~~ suggested and agreed upon that the Treasurer be instructed to send $100 to the FCNL, with the expectation that individual friends will continue to give seperately if they so wish.

The Treasurer was also asked, after approval of the Meeting, to send a contribution of $50 to the Finance Committee of the Interfaith Youth Center Inc of Westerly, to help maintain a coffee house called the "Rayon's Edge", which is open to all students and young adults on Friday and Saturday nights for wholesome refreshments, ~~xxxx~~ entertainment and discussions.

This brought about the subject of our own swell in the ranks of older children attending our Meetings, especially during the summer months, and the suggestion that a study & discussion hour be instigated for them at some time before, during, or after each Meeting for worship. Friends felt that a committee, including at least one or two of the youngsters, be appointed to formulate immediate planning of such a project. It was suggested that this be done on Monday evening, when those who can, will meet at the summer home of Harvey and Julianna Perry for the purpose of greeting Baird and Jean Bale from Indiana.

Deborah Warren and Frederick C. Buffum were asked to represent Westerly Monthly Meeting at the summer Quarterly Meeting to be held in Westerly on 7th month 20th

Due to the length of the business Meeting today, no Queeries were read, but a short silence for prayer was observed instead.

Claire P. Hofer - Clerk

On October 6th at a business meeting held following meeting for worship, a letter was read from the Clerk of New England Yearly Meeting requesting that each Monthly Meeting appoint a member to sit with the Yearly Meeting Finance Committee this is in accordance with various changes the Yearly Meeting is contemplating following reports from the Quarterly Meeting Study ~~Group~~ Committee, which recommended that Monthly Meetings be brought into closer contact with the Yearly Meeting.

The name of Frederick C. Buffum was suggested as representative from Westerly Monthly Meeting and since he was not present, the clerk was asked to notify him of this appointment. Which she has done.

In making plans for winter discussion groups we hope that subjects can be chosen that will be challenging to the older generation and young adults alike. Lincoln Walters and Allen Warren expressed their willingness to prepare this program with the help of John Rounds, if he is available.

Material sent to us from Friends United Meeting in Indiana entitled "Crisis in the Nation" could perhaps be considered as an appropriate topic.

A letter from Waitman Hall was read, telling us that after 13 years, Russell Brooks, their first and only Executive Director, is leaving that post and friends are being asked to contribute to a parting gift for this loyal and devoted man. Attending members approved of contributing $25=, providing this amount is commensurate with the state of our finances.

Thomas Perry read a letter from the Western Pastors Association asking that someone from this meeting take part, at least once, in a series of weekly radio programs that are scheduled each Monday evening over WERI (Penn Local radio station). The subjects are varied, but must be controversial aspects of vital problems in America today.

The list of subjects will be put on the meeting house bulletin board and Thomas Perry will advise the Pastors Association that a friend will participate in one of the programs, with the understanding that he is a lay man rather than a religious leader.

It seems that no member of this meeting will be able to make the trip to Worcester, Mass. to attend Quarterly Meeting on Oct 19th, so no representatives were appointed.

Juliana Perry suggested that our business meetings be held afternoons, so they could be shorter.

Claire P. Stofer, Clerk

Oct 10, 1968 — At a business meeting held after Meeting for Worship on November 10th, Frederick C. Buffum reported that the American Friends Service Committee has asked all Meetings for additional financial support to help with their extended aid in many fields, but especially in the country of Biafra, where there is such terrible starvation at the present time.

The treasurer was asked to send a check for $100= from this Meeting to the AFSC and individual members would continue to give as they could.

The present clerk reported, regretfully, that she would be absent from Dec. 1st until early May and asked the Meeting to appoint someone in her place.

Jeanette Watkins' name was suggested as acting clerk during the 6 months absence of the present clerk and Mary Warner agreed to assist her whenever necessary.

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Mary Wamerel made a suggestion for having the Meeting House cleaned, regularly, every six months. It seems there is a group called "The Busy Bees" in the vicinity, who are available for such work; and the members of the Meeting readily agreed that these services would greatly simplify our housekeeping problems. (They also bring with them all necessary equipment.) Mary Wamerel will arrange with this firm, at the Meeting's request, to come at the earliest possible date.

Claire P. Hofer, Clerk

Feb. 9, 1969 — At Westerly Monthly Meeting held on first day second month. Only two members being present we paid a bill for the repair of the front door.

Annette Watkins,
Acting Clerk

Mar 16, 1969 — At Westerly Monthly Meeting of Friends held on first day third month. Mary Damerel will attend the Easter Morning sunrise service in Wilcox Park sponsored by the Westerly Pastors Assoc., but no one else will be able to attend. Debbie Warren and Annette Watkins were named to attend a one day Ministry and Council seminar on April 26th at Beacon Hill Friends' House. Laura E. Fuller requested transfer of her membership to the New London Meeting and under the care of our Meeting this was performed. The 7th and 8th queries were read. We sent $5.00 to the Fish.

April 2, 1969 — A long-delayed request by mail reached Juliana Perry requesting an expedited transfer of membership for Rebecca Perry Lewis to Dover Church, Dover, Mass. This was done without referral to Meeting.

April 13, 1969 — At Westerly Monthly Meeting held on first day third month. The spiritual condition report was read and accepted by the meeting. The removal of Rebecca Perry Lewis was approved.

No representative will be able to attend quarterly Meeting. The ninth and tenth queries were read.

May ~~June~~ 25, 1969

At the Westerly Monthly Meeting of Friends, held on First Day, ~~Fifth~~ Month, 25th an urgent letter was read from the New England Yearly Meeting, stating that their budget for this year is $14,000 short and asking whether a special allotment of Monthly Meeting funds would be possible. Our Meeting has contributed, this year, in the amount of $750=, but Friends were agreed that ~~the~~ Treasurer should forward a check for $250 more to the Yearly Meeting Treasurer.

New England Yearly Meeting will be held from 6th Month 23rd To 28th at the Taft School in Watertown, Conn. Each Monthly Meeting has been asked to appoint at least one Representative. Each Quarterly Meeting will also send Representatives, this year, since this will be a year of Transition from the old system to the new - provided Friends give final approval for the discontinuance of Quarterly Meeting Representatives.

Mary Townsend and Claire ~~Ho~~fer were appointed from this Meeting.

A joint letter from Clerks of the R. I and Smithfield Quarterly Meetings was read saying that a request would be forwarded to the Yearly Meeting for a union of the two Quarters —, Unless any Monthly Meeting of either Quarter no longer favors this union. Westerly Meeting sent approval of this union in 7th month 1967, with reservations about attendance from here when the distance is great.

No one was appointed to Represent this Meeting on the Select Meeting for Ministry and Council of the Quarterly (two have been asked for) because there are no Friends who feel they can give regular attendence

Frederick Buffum suggested, and Friends were in agreement to start our First Day Meetings for Worship at 10:30 AM the year round, instead of changing the time every year at the end of June and beginning of Sept.

Deborah Warren gave us a very enlightening account of her experiences in Washington D C with the AFSC Peace Vigil ~~this past April~~. on May 5-6.

Claire P. Hofer, Clerk

July 6, 1969

On seventh month 6th a letter was read from AFSC announcing a summer program they are sponsoring, called CRASH (Call to Research and Act to Stop Hunger) Friends are asked to help by gathering information on local food programs in their areas to re-evaluate our national priorities. The information gathered will be compiled and presented to national and local government officials in hopes that the report will bring pressure to bear on those who can shift National Resources from some of the defense, war and space spending, to the needs of hunger and poverty at home.

Westerly Friends were sympathetic with this proposed effort and instructed the Clerk to write for more information.

July 27, 1969

At a business meeting held after Meeting for Worship on seventh month 27th, the Clerk, was instructed to write a letter to friends of the Raleigh, N.C. Monthly Meeting of Friends, asking them to do whatever they can to give spiritual strength an encouragement to Barry Saing. Barry, who's wife has been a faithful attender of this Meeting since May, is imprisoned in the Marine Brig at Camp Le Jeune, N.C., resulting from his long struggle to attain draft and military status as a conciention objector.

Information and forms just received from the CRASH program sponsored by AFSC were given to individual Friends to be studied. The suggested work program seems to be an overwhelming Task for a Meeting as small as ours and during the Summer vacation months seems a poor time to conduct such a survey. This subject will be discussed again at next month's business meeting.

Mary Damerel brought attention to the fact that the Meeting House is again in need of a cleaning. She and the Clerk were asked to arrange for the services of a reliable worker to come in and put the floors in shape.

At the close of the Meeting for Business the first and second Queries were read.

Claire Hofer, Clerk

Sept 7, 1969

At the Westerly Monthly Meeting of Friends, held after first Day Meeting for worship on ninth month, 7th the Clerk was asked To write a letter To CRASH (sponsored by AFSC to gather needed information about Federal and State food programs) stating that this Meeting is disappointed and very sorry not to be able to participate in helping them, because of our very small membership - in addition to the Summer inactivity of local service clubs, whose help we might otherwise be able to count upon. The letter was sent

Letters were read from the Friends Council on Education (Philadelphia) asking for support in their service to Quaker Education - and from the N.E. Yearly Meeting, looking for sponsorships for

disadvantaged students, wishing to attend the various Friends' Schools.

The Clerk was indeed sorry to have to ask the Meeting to kindly release her from duties of clerkship, beginning Nov 1, 1969, as she will be leaving Westerly at that time for a period of at least one year. The third and fourth queries were read before the close of the meeting.

Claire P. Stofer, Clerk

Oct 12, 1969

At the meeting for business held on the 12th day of 10th month a letter was read from George Bliss, who will be visiting Meetings in the N.E area to discuss activities of the Friends Committee on National Legislation and the issues in which it working in 1969. The Clerk was instructed to reply that we are interested and that Harvey and Julianna Perry gladly offer hospitality if he can stop here on his way to near by Meetings, but to remind him that our group is so small, we feel it unfair to ask him to make a special trip.

Julianna Perry and Claire Stofer were asked to nominate the name of a new clerk for consideration at a special meeting to be held for that purpose next first day.

At the same meeting, a final decision is to be made Concerning the time our winter meetings for worship shall begin. It seems the 10:30 hour previously proposed is proving a hardship for young attenders with families, who come from some distance.

Thomas Perry asked if there were plans in Westerly for the National Moratorium being held all over the country next fourth day in protest against the Vietnam War. The Clerk was instructed to investigate the matter and find out how the Meeting can assist if help is needed.

At the close of business the 11th & 12th Queries were read

Claire P. Stofer. Clerk

On first day, 10th month 19th a special meeting was held to appoint a new clerk. The name of Annette Watkins was presented for consideration and was accepted with enthusiastic approval by all Friends present. The Clerk was instructed to ask Annette if she would be willing to accept this duty.

Julianna Perry read the draft she had prepared of a Travel Minute from this Meeting for Claire Stofer to present to other Meetings as she and her husband travel around the country during the following year.

A letter was read from New England Yearly Meeting, asking that one representative from every Monthly Meeting be named to the Y.M. Nominating Comm. and it was hoped that Annette Watkins would

to writing to accept was duly also.

Friends present approved changing the beginning time of winter meetings for Worship from 10:30 to 11:00 AM starting with the last Sunday in October

Howard Schless offered to notify the "Friends' Journal" of this ~~fact~~ change, and Thomas Perry agreed to notify the "Westerly Sun"

Claire P Hofer, Clerk

1970 Some records lost here because of lack of a clerk and then because of incapacity of clerk with a broken arm.

On 1st day ~~June~~ 6th month 28th day the meeting accepted Deborah and Allen Warren as transfer members from ~~Massillon, Ohio~~ Stillwater Monthly Meeting at Barnesville, Ohio. Arrangements were also made for Quarterly Meeting. Howard Schless will introduce our speaker Ed Lazar from the Friends Service Committee. He will speak on Peace education. Juliana Perry will take charge of the drink and desert for the box lunch. It was decided that the Meting house would be used for draft counseling for the next two months and a special meeting held in rotation at neighborhood churches would meet here on 4th day next week. It was decided that the meeting would be held at 10:30 from 7th month through Labor Day.

1971 Annette Watkins of Stonington, Connecticut was clerk during this time but due to illness she could not continue

1972 July ~~Seventh~~ Month 1st.

Approval was expressed for the appointment of 2 clerks, Debra Warren as presiding clerk and Kathleen Bamma as recorder and correspondent.

The schedule for Quarterly Meeting was announced and posted. Westerly will be host meeting. Friends discussed details of preparation for guests. A clean up of the Meeting House was helpful in making it attractive. Held on June 18 with many helpers.

There was approval of a mail slot for the front door so mail could come to the correct place no matter

who is clerk.

A memorial letter is to be prepared by Julianna Perry and Mary Domerel in honor of our dear friend Thomas Perry, Jr. to be presented to Quarterly Meeting and to be forwarded to the Yearly Meeting.

We hope to hear a financial report in the fall. Some money has been sent to the meeting in memory of Thomas Perry.

Two representatives were appointed to attend New England Yearly Meeting: Thomas Perry, Jr and Mary Domerel.

First query was read.

Debra Warren, Clerk.

1972 9th Month 17

A helpful report from treasurer Robert Perry was presented and included herein. Approval was given to send to New England Yearly Meeting $750. in addition to $500. already sent by the treasurer. This is to bring our donation up to our usual donation of $750. to make up for the 1970 year when we did not send in our quota. Also approved was a $25. token donation to the American Friends Service Committee with plans to consider further donations later in the year.

Quarterly Meeting was held at Westerly on Seventh Month 15th. Twenty-nine adults and children were in attendance. There was approval of the Thomas Perry Memorial with additions. Eric Schoonover of Kingston told the meeting about the organization of a campus meeting at the University, meeting in the Watson House at 10:30 Sunday mornings.

The new mail slot in the front door has made the postman very happy because he is no longer troubled with forwarding mail to new clerks.

Thomas Perry, Jr. reported on New England Yearly Meeting. There continues to be some strain due to difficulty of making decisions on the future of Moses Brown and Lincoln Schools. There were further revisions on the Thomas Perry Memorial Letter made and it will be printed in the Yearly Meeting Minutes.

The Clerks name will be sent to the Y.M. as a representative of the Ministry and Counsel Committee.

Julianna Perry read a letter from the Friends World Committee urging Friends to act on their concerns about justice. She suggests our hearing Mike Spazano (local probation officer) to speak to us on problems he encounters. Julianna Perry and Robert Perry will look into the possibilities and report back.

Meeting ended with the reading of the second query.

Debra Warren, Clerk.

1972 Twelfth Month Tenth

~~Further~~ Additional contribution to the AFSC was considered; individuals were encouraged to contribute but no further money will be given from the meeting.

A meeting presenting the problems of prisons was held at the Westerly Library. Way is open for further exploration of the problems.

A Yearly Meeting sponsored workshop for clerks was attended and reported upon.

Approval was given for having a visitor to report on a Friends Retirement Community in New England, at a time convenient.

Approval was given to the signing of a form from Project Equality of Mass and R.I.

The local radio station, WERI, has invited us to join in a discussion program held on Monday evenings. We are happy to provide someone whenever possible.

A form from the Y.M. on the subject of property was received. Evaluation of our present property insurance may be necessary.

Meeting ended with reading of the third query.

Debora Warner, Clerk.

1973 March 25

Changes in the Property Record requested by the Yearly Meeting were made. The present value is estimated at $45,000 for the buildings, $6500 for the land. Increases in the insurance coverage was made to $3000 on contents of the building and $37,500 on the building. Also liability insurance was approved. The approximate cost per year of this coverage is $30. John Lounds is taking care of arrangements.

Concern was expressed for the old books in the meeting house. Suggestion was made for them to be sent the the archives in Providence.

Mary Donegal suggests hiring someone for a monthly cleaning of the meeting house. She will inquire into several prospects and will report.

Discussion on the change of time for Meeting for Worship did not result in a decision. Because of staying after meeting for informal discusson and refreshments Friends are late getting home, therefore an earlier hour for meeting might be helpful.

Discusson of the possibility of having an unobtrusive offering box in the foyer did not result in a decision.

An application for Membership was received from William and Nancy Penhallow, and sons John, William II and Thomas. A committee was appointed to visit with them and report back to the meeting. The committe members are Mary Osmond, Kitty Bonner, Allan Warner and John Rounds.

Several items of correspondence were read. We concluded with the reading of the Fourth Query.

Debora Warner, Clerk.

1973 May 6

Minutes approved.

A committee was appointed for the care of the books in the meeting house. They are requested to catalogue the books and decide where to store them. Our books need organization and care. Committe members are Anne Rounds, Mary Osmond and Claire Hofer.

A person to clean the meeting house will be hired by Robert Perry

Agreement was reached on an earlier time for meeting. We will meet at 10:30 from June 1 through September.

The committee to consider the membership of the William Penhallow family reported that they recomend approval. The meeting therefore accepts into membership William and Nancy Penhallow, their sons John, William and Thomas as junior members.

William Penhallow and Kitty Bonner attended Rhode Island-Smithfield Quarterly Meeting. They reported that it was a worthwhile event. Next meeting will be the 3rd Saturday in July.

Approval was given for the transfer of membership for Sylvia Perry Castillio from Westerly meeting to London Meeting at Brentford, London, England.

Neighbors of the Meeting House request that they plant some trees at the side of their pool on meeting property. Jack Rounds will tell them that we don't have room.

The treasurer states that we have enough money to take care of emergencies but not enough for major repairs.

A recommendation from the fire insurance Company suggests a second exit in our meeting room. It was suggested in discussion that a building committee could make such decisions, however we will not act on this now.

Approval was given for advertising our meeting in the Friends Journal.

Meeting closed with a period of silence.

Debora Warner

June 24, 1973

Claire Hofer, Al and Debbie Warren were named as our representatives to Yearly Meeting. Bill and Nancy Penhallow and Kitty Bammer plan to attend Quarterly meeting being held at N. Dartmouth next month.

A new AFSC office is being opened in Providence, Carol Bragg will come and speak to us next First Day.

Mary Damerel found someone to clean the meeting house once a month and $50. was approved to buy a used electro lux vacuum cleaner. It is felt we need a building committee. Al Warren was suggested to be chairman.

The spiritual condition of our meeting was read and approved. It made particular mention of our new members.

Meeting closed with the reading of the 5th queriy.

Kitty Bammer - clerk-for-day

September 30, 1973

Minutes were read and approved. The book committee needs more time to finish cataloging the meeting books. Kitty Bammer attended Quarterly Meeting held at South Dartmouth, Mass. in July. It is hoped others will attend next months Quarterly Meeting in Providence. A report was read from Debbie Warren, our representative at Yearly Meeting. Claire Hofer also attended and Dan Warren was Junior Yearly Meeting clerk.

Mr. Vincenzo Ferraro is now cleaning the meeting house once a month. It was felt a building committee should be formed, Al Warren was named chairman.

Our friend Fred Beytrum passed away July 3. Mary Damerel was asked to lead us in composing our memorial.

We have a new Sunday School format. All are asked to participate in any way they feel able; as readers for a month or join in the pre-meeting activities program. Meeting for worship has returned to its winter hour of 11 A.M.

An announcement was made of a Harvest Potluck Supper to be held at the Warrens on October 14.

Our concern about the property taxes is still with us. It was decided to check the records at town hall before proceeding further.

Meeting was closed with the reading of the 6th query, after which Hubert Stevens from the Yearly Meeting Ad Hoc Committee on Retirement and Friends Community gave an interesting talk discussing the work of the committee and how the retirement

center could be organized.

Kitty Benner, clerk for day.

Twelth Month 30, 1973

Minutes were read and approved
The treasurer reported $750.00 was sent to the Yearly Meeting. This is our usual donation.
The Book Catalogue committee said there needs to be more done in the spring.
Attenders at Quaterly Meeting Reported.
The measurement of property lines need help from an engineer to be exact. Robert Perry will report further but there appears to be no serious problem of encroachment at this time.
The property repair committee reports that the high gutters are in bad shape and the low kitchen roof needs attention. Painting and re-glazing of the windows needs to be done also. Names of workmen can be forwarded to Allan Warren and he will get estimate.
Volunteers agreed to ~~take~~ lead the pre-meeting gathering rotating on a monthly basis.
Approval was given for a letter to be written to New London meeting to offer to them the use of our meeting house for their Quaterly Meeting.
Requests for money were read. No action was taken.
The Yearly Meeting Ministry + Counsel Committee ~~of~~ the requested to send a visitation group to Westerly and suggests the date of Sunday, January 27. There was approval of this.
The meeting ended with the reading of the Seventh Query.

Debora Warren, Clerk.

March 24, 1974

Minutes were read and approved.
The treasurer, Robert Perry, reported that the treasury can cover Meeting House repairs. He further suggested that persons who have donated large amounts in the past may not always be able to do so. A summary of his report follows:

Savings	$9000.
Interest	772.
Donations	1650.
Gifts in memory	1125.

Payments amount to 1815. including $750 to the Yearly Meeting, our usual payment.

March 24, 1974
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From measuring the property line along the street it appears that the low wall along our driveway is our property. Therefore the neighboring swimming pool is encroaching. However, we will not take action because it (the pool) is not a new development.

The property repair committee report that some boards need replacement and that although the gutters seem alright one downspout needs repair. A work day was planned.

On January 27 some 6 members of the Yearly Meeting Ministry and Counsel Committee visited us. It was a satisfactory occasion.

A Christian Education fair is planned in Providence.

Quarterly meeting will be held April 28 in Woonsocket. July 20th it will be held in Westerly. We will be responsible for providing a program, dessert and beverages. Richard Jeffrey will contact 2 people in New York who are teaching non-violence in the public schools to tell of us of their work.

Jack Powers reported on AFSC activities.

The Moshe Book Committee sent us a list of books from which we can select 3 titles. Individuals checked the books they were most interested in.

Debra Wawn, Clerk, requests that a new clerk be appointed. She has served for 2 years and cannot attend meeting regularly. Betty Bowman and Anne Rounds were suggested as a nominating committee.

Copies of the "London Discipline" so called have been distributed. A suggestion was made that a donation be made to the Y.M. or to order more + pay for the additional copies.

Our official membership lists are not accurate. We need to compare + send a letter requesting that if friends wish to continue their ~~membership~~ membership in Westerly Monthly Meeting would they let us know. Or if they are members in some other meeting, have their membership officially changed.

A suggestion was made that we consider use of the Meeting House by other groups as a form of outreach into the community. Saturday or Monday were days when the House could be heated without too much additional expense.

Meeting was closed with the reading of the 9th Query.

July 7, 1974 The minutes were read and approved with 2 corrections: Quarterly Meeting was held at Worcester not Woonsocket and Mary Dawnel's name should replace Anne Rounds name in working with Kitty Bannner to find a new clerk.

Al Warren reported that he has a bid of $1840. to scrap and paint the meeting house. Approval was given if Bob Perry also agrees.

It was suggested that reminders be sent out for members to support the meeting financially. A news letter should also be included. The meeting agreed but felt the membership list ought to be straightened out first.

Quarterly Meeting will be June July 20, Princess Red Wing will speak. Each family will bring a cake and ice tea or punch - ice cream will be bought.

We have not received our Woolman Fact Fund Books; it is felt a letter should be sent to find out why.

New England Yearly Meeting is coming up the end of July - the Warrens plan to attend and can take others if they need rides.

Kitty Bannner will succeed Debra Warren as clerk, Jack Rounds will be correspondent.

Monthly meetings will now occur monthly! The last First Day of each month was agreed upon.

Parts of a letter telling about the National Friend's new high school program were read and discussed. Also mentioned was a letter from AFSC reiterating our continuing involvement in Viet Nam.

Meeting was closed with the reading of the 9th query.

Kitty Bannner - clerk

August 25 1974 The minutes were read and approved with the correction that Mary Gannon was the speaker at Quarterly Meeting in Place of Princess Red Wing. She's a Naragansett Indian who's very much interested in helping her tribe gain back their identity and land. A letter was sent from Quarterly Meeting to Yearly Meeting and News paper concerning the selling of arms to Greece + Turkey.

A ministry and Council committee consisting of Laurie Warren, Mark Sypris and Nancy Pritchard was formed to begin work on our membership lists.

continued In two weeks we will have a pot luck after meeting to discuss Quiet Day School, Rhode Island Bicentennial Celebration and Year Yearly Meeting report.

It was suggested and approved to subscribe to Friends Committee on National Legislation to learn about various organizations involvement in social concerns and in which direction our Meetings energy should be spent.

A letter from Friends Journal telling of special subscription price for students was read. It was suggested and approved that we subscribe for Ted Crandall who is at U. of Penn. Another suggestion was to send a letter to director of admissions in support of what our scholarship aid is available for Ed Crandall.

Members expressed satisfaction with the painting of the outside of the meeting house now in progress. We will decide later what color to paint the front door.

Kitty Bammer - Clerk

Sept. 30, 74 Monthly Meeting was held following meeting for worship on ninth month thirtieth. Minutes were read and approved.

Ministry and Council received approval for the following letter which will be personalized and sent to members who no longer attend.

Dear Friends,

Your meeting, planning, growing and gathering new Friends and new members is very interested and concerned about those members who have not worshipped with us in recent years.

In order to gather together and to renew our vital spiritual resources, the Ministry and Oversight Committee of Westerly Friends Meeting is undertaking to contact all absent and dearly missed Friends to learn whether you are attending another Friends Meeting. If not, and you are too far away to join us in worship, may we help you to locate a meeting convenient to you.

Will you take the time to write us. Telling us about yourselves and your feelings about the Society of Friends and Westerly Meeting as the source of your spiritual life.

We do hope to hear from you. We promise you will be hearing from us in the near future.

With love,

For the Comm. on Ministry and Oversight of Westerly Friends Meeting.

Another concern of Ministry and Council is outreach, which could include any number of ideas from additional use of our meeting house to giving of ourselves.

Rhode Island Bicentenial Committee wants one of us involved in planning for 1976 plus information on Quaker History. None of us present felt we could take on the responsibility although we feel it is worthy of our attention.

The clerk will answer the letter from Mosher Book and Trust Fund which wants to know how they can use their limited amount of money in a more purposeful manner.

This coming week is AFSC's week of Concern concerning our continuing involvement in Viet nam. The tiger page will be in Westerly Tuesday, please help if you can.

The meeting was closed with reading of the 10th query.

Kitty Bammer. Clerk

10-27-74

Minutes were read and approved. Jack Rounds on the AFSC's week of Concern which was a success. A number of people paid the tiger page, it received much publicity. Minute 74's letter was circulated.

Anne Rounds' application for membership was read and referred to Ministry and Council.

A discussion followed concerning the letter referred to in previous month's minutes. It was decided to delete the part offering to help them find a meeting nearby as the letters haven't been mailed.

Meeting was adjourned with reading of 11 query.

Kitty Bammer. Clerk

11-24-74

The minutes were read and approved. Thanks were expressed for the repair of the gutters. Al Warren reminded us that the front door needs another coat of paint. It was decided to keep the same color. The light in the bathroom needs replacing - Bill Bammer volunteered to do the job. While on the subject of lights, it was suggested to replace the one over the front porch. Approval was given to repair the chimney, the guess is it won't cost over $200. Sample copies of Peacework were distributed. It was left up to the individuals if they wanted to subscribe. A letter from Yearly Meeting Finance Comm. was read asking for an increase in our yearly contribution. Approval was given to send $800.

Dick Jeffrey expressed his concern about world hunger and read a minute he had prepared.

Members of the Westerly Friends Meeting of the Religious Society of Friends, seeking a means of helping to reduce the world wide food shortage, have agreed that concerned Friends will eliminate one main meal a week from their diets, and will contribute the money saved to a famine relief fund. Because the present food shortage will not be relieved quickly we are aware that our life style will be altered, undoubtedly for an indefinite period. In the hope that this effort will literally bear fruit we as Friends will endeavor to tell others through visits to other Meetings, Churches, temples or groups of our efforts, and ask others to take it upon themselves to spread the word praying that this effort will gain momentum, ultimately making available food to the hungry of our world.

"Any man's death diminishes
me, because I am involved in
mankind; and therefore never
send to know for whom the bell
tolls; it tolls for thee."

The minute was approved. Each of us will do the best we can. A copy of the minute will be sent to the newspapers.

Monthly Meeting was closed with the reading of the 12 query.

Kitty Banner, clerk.

12-29-14 Previous month's minutes were read and approved. A suggestion was made to give the front of our meeting house another coat of paint. Al Warren will contact Mr. Crandell about painting the door and the cost to paint the front again.

The clerk read portions of a Christmas Greeting from Claire Hofer saying that she'd seen an article in the Westerly Sun concerning our ~~Dick Jeffrey's~~ minute on hunger. She wanted more explicit information. Dick Jeffrey said he'd write to her. It was decided to postponed till next monthly meeting to whom we'll send the accumulated money. Dick Jeffrey reminded us that we should not hesitate to visit other groups and tell them of our idea. During this coming month Dick Jeffrey hopes to get copies of the minute out to other monthly meetings.

Debbie Warren reported Ministry & Council had received 6 replies to their letters sent to absent members. Ministry & Council recommended membership for Anne Rounds; monthly meeting approved. The clerk will send her a welcoming letter.

A certificate of removal was received from Londsdown Meeting. Jack Rounds has transfered his membership to Westerly Monthly Meeting.

A pot luck and discussion to follow planned for January 19 will be postponed as George Bliss will visit us January 12. The Yearly Meeting Committee concerned with Friends schools of which he is chairman will hold a regional meeting and New London Meeting has been invited to worship with us; attend a pot luck and discussion concerning the schools.

The questionaire from FCNL was read. It was decided to meet a half hour before meeting to discuss and answer the questions.

The AFSC week end conference in Washington Jan. 25-27 was announced as were appeals for funds from AFSC, Minute 60, Meeting School and Meeting House Fund.

Monthly Meeting closed with the reading of the 1st query.

Kitty Barnes Clerk

1-26-70 Minutes were read and approved. The minute on Lungar should be referred to as our meeting's minute not Dick Jeffrey's.

Ministry and Council have set Friday Feb. 14 at 7:30 at the Warren's for a discussion group led by Dick Jeffrey.

The meeting agreed to send the famine money to AFSC in Philadelphia. While speaking of the AFSC, the clerk noted that Marjorie Swann is the new executive secretary of New England regional office.

We all now going to clean the meeting house ourselves - and please let us sit closer together in the front!

The clerk announced a membership workshop on Feb. 15 at Framingham Meeting House and numerous circulars from Powell House concerning their programs.

The second query was read at the close of monthly meeting.

Kitty Barnes, Clerk

2-23-75 The minutes of the monthly meeting held on First Month 26th were read and approved.

There have been no further developments with respect to painting the door and front of the meeting house. Allan Warren will arrange to contact the painter and report back to us at the next monthly meeting.

There was further discussion of the decision last month that we ourselves endeavor to keep the meeting house clean on a regular basis – at least until our maintenance man has recovered from his broken arm. Robert Perry suggested, and those present approved, our forming a group cleaning party following meeting for worship on the first First day of each month. Mary Hamerel observed that our front hall floor is in need of care and attention, and Robert Perry agreed to investigate the economics and feasibility of installing an all-weather carpet there.

John Rounds recommended the appointment of an official Recorder for the meeting to assist the Clerk and relieve her of the burden of maintaining our membership records. Those present regarded this proposal with favor, but the Clerk will be consulted before any final decision is made.

Debora Warren, reporting for the Committee on Ministry and Oversight, presented their recommendation that the benches in the meeting house be rearranged on a trial basis in the form of a square with the hope that members and attenders will sit nearer together and form a closer and more cohesive group. After some discussion those present approved this proposal. It will be implemented in two weeks on Third Month 9th and will be evaluated by the monthly meeting after a trial interval.

Debora Warren further reported that Ministry and Oversight has heard from only six of our 18 absent members in response to the letter approved at our September and October monthly meetings last year. The Committee requested guidance as to next steps in contacting those who have not yet responded. It was agreed that a second letter be sent out, and a draft letter was prepared and approved by those present. (The text of this letter is to be appended to these minutes.)

The acting clerk announced three forthcoming Friends' activities: (1) the annual Good Friday Witness for Peace on March 28th in Boston, (2) a conference on "Investments, Wealth and Economic Alternatives" sponsored by the American Friends Service Committee from April 25th to 27th at Woolman Hill in Deerfield, Massachusetts, and (3) the United Nations Seminar at Quaker House in New York City from May 20th to 22nd.

The monthly meeting closed with a reading of the third query and a brief period of silent meditation.

John S. Rounds, Acting Clerk

Text of letter:

Dear Friends:

The response to our November letter was gratifying. We are doing as promised in the first letter, you are hearing from us as we did not hear from you.

We are most concerned and interested in all Friends, all members of Westerly Meeting who have not been able to worship with us or who have not been in touch with us recently. New England Yearly Meeting has requested membership data from all meetings.

Do you wish to continue being a member of Westerly Monthly Meeting?

If our November letter did not reach you, we ask once again to hear from you.

With love,

4-6-75

The minutes were read and approved. Mr. Crandell, who painted our meeting house has been contacted to give the door its second coat of paint.

Jack Lounds reminded us of Rhode Island one day conference on hunger April 12 sponsored by A.F.S.C. and a peace vigil the night before. Non Sun will be at a pot luck in Voluntown Conn. on Tuesday April 15. The clerk asked to have stamps saved for Rhode Island A.F.S.C. upcoming yard sale - use the meeting house as a collecting place. $38. has been sent to A.F.S.C. concerning our minute of hunger.

Carl Harrison, head master of Wightman will speak at Providence Meeting House April 16 at 7:30 about Quakerism in relation to Moses Brown and Lincoln Schools.

Quarterly Meeting is April 19 in Woonsocket. Our statistical report and spiritual condition will be sent to Quarterly meeting and Yearly meeting office.

The clerk asked for input concerning our spiritual condition which seemed more like a discussion centered around outreach. Bill Pinkham told about the Indians having their stone stolen and also being required to hold Church services there to keep the land. Hobbie Warren said she'd call and find out and report to us next First Day.

The discussion group for Friday has been cancelled. We will bring sandwiches and stay after meeting next First Day. In two weeks we will have a "fancy" pot luck following monthly meeting April 27.

The clerk will buy 100 booklets by Douglas Steere to have to give to visitors.

Westerly Library has a home service for anyone not able to get to the library.

It was very appropriate that meeting was

closed with the reading of the 4th query
Kitty Bamner, Clerk.

Spiritual Condition of Westerly Meeting

The meeting is growing in numbers and concerns. We need to grow in confidence to vocally participate during worship.

First Day School is enjoyed by the children as various couples take their turn leading the group. One session was spent putting on a play.

Visitors from other meetings are a rallying point - we all make a special attempt to be present.

Outreach is a concern of our meeting - at times it seems that all we can do is keep the meeting functioning. In all honesty that's not out reach.

Just preparing this report has created some meaningful dialogue for all of us and hopefully it will continue.

May 3. 1975 A short business meeting followed meeting for worship. The clerk reported that she had attended Quarterly Meeting at Hookpocket. The topic discussed was moral hunger. Before long we were discussing our minute on hunger. It was decided to continue to carry the minute.

The clerk will be a representative to Yearly Meeting to be held the last week of June.

Meeting was adjourned after the reading of the 5th query to meet again sixth month first.

Kitty Bamner, Clerk

June 1, 1975 Previous month's minutes were read and approved. It was also approved not to have more monthly meetings until after Labor day at call of Clerk. We are also on our summer schedule of meeting at 10:30.

Announcements were made concerning the Nova Conferences and A.F.S.C. yard sale to be held next week end at Providence Meeting House.

A letter telling in some detail the programs of minute 66.74 was read and a discussion followed. A question was raised concerning a memorial for Fred Buffum

The following minute was approved six month first The Westerly Monthly Meeting of the Religious Society of Friends at the written request

of Phoebe Peebles, Nicholas Perry and Alice H. Bryant have approved their request that these Friends names be dropped from membership in the Westerly Monthly Meeting.

Meeting closed with the reading of 6th Query.

Kitty Bammer, Clerk

9-28-75 Monthly Meeting opened with the reading of previous months minutes which were approved. Minni and Gard Bammer reported about their Jr. Yearly Meeting Activities and Kitty told of her first experience at Yearly Meeting which was one of warmth and friendship, highlighted with the presentation of Daisy Newman's play during the Closing Gathering.

The Quarterly meeting minute concerning spying and related activities was read - no further action was taken.

Next Fast day will be a work day following meeting for worship. The men are going to see how extensive the back corner's repair job will be and the women will clean the inside in preparation for First Day School.

The meeting has accepted the Warren's offer of a piano. A work day will be planned in the near future to get it to the meeting house.

Meeting will return to it's winter schedule of 11 O'clock next week. Mary Hammond will have it changed in the paper. She will again send Ted Crandall the Friend's Journal upon learning his address.

A fall get together was discussed, but no decision was arrived at.

Meeting closed with the reading of the 7th query.

Kitty Bammer, Clerk

10-26-75 Monthly Meeting was held 10 month 26. Previous month's minutes were read and approved. Debbie Warren attended Quarterly Meeting and will report to us next month. It looks like we have a leak at the flashing on the addition to the meeting house - to what extent we aren't sure. It also looks like we have an $800. repair job on our foundation. That can be post poned until Spring, but does have to be done.

New London Meeting has invited us for a pot luck Nov. 9 to hear Jennifer Haines. This will also include meeting for worship at 10.

AFSC news was shared including their Christmas cards. The AFSC wants our support in a Testimonial to aid Vietnam for which they have been denied licenses which had been granted before the war was over.

The clerk paraphrased a letter from James Achtenberg concerning Mexico 74 - "7,500 was given in scholarship to New England Friends Schools last year.

Dick Jeffrey would like to have an open house to collect guns. He wants us to think about it and bring it up again next monthly Meeting.

The First Day School collected $7.86 for UNICEF. A container was left on the table so members may also donate.

Jack Rounds has offered to be recorder and get our membership lists straightened out once and for all.

Next First Day following meeting we will go to the Warren's and pick up the piano.

The treasurer was asked to please give us a total of the money given in Fred Buffum's name.

Meeting was closed with the reading of the 8th query.

Patty Bammes, clerk

Monthly Meeting was held eleven month 30. The open house to collect guns was the first topic discussed. It was felt that someone with some knowledge about guns should be present. Dick Jeffrey will contact the pastor's association to see if they are interested in this matter.

Debbie Warren reported to us about Quarterly Meeting held at Providence. Mrs. Dright from Jamestown donated the money for the restoration of Newport Meeting House told about the project and future goals. While on the subject of Quarterly Meeting the clerk mentioned receiving a copy of Daisy Newman's play from the Masker Book Fund. Since the fund is just about out of money and we won't be receiving more books; the clerk would like to see a lending library established in our Quarte

Ministry & Council is going to order more pamphl to have available for visitors. It is also going to advertise for a baby sitter.

The Schoonovers and Bammes' attended the pot luck in New London.

Bob Perry has contacted someone to see about our leaking roof which is in urgent need of repair -

the foundation can wait!

The Perkallaws will see if they can locate a piano tuner. A pot luck will be held December 14 and we will invite New London Friends. First Day School will present a play they have been working on and Christmas carols will be sung. The clerk will call Betty Chu, then clerk, as time is short.

A check for $11. was sent to WYMCUF.

Fred Beffum's memorial will be attached to this page of our meeting's minutes.

The clerk received a letter from Yearly Meeting thanking us for our prompt contribution this year.

Many interesting items too numerous to take up Monthly Meeting's time with will be posted on the bulletin board. Jack Rounds will have AFSC Christmas cards next week.

Monthly Meeting was closed with the reading of the 9th query.

Betty Bannon, Clerk

A short business meeting followed meeting for worship on second month 8, 1976. Clerk Jeffery will contact the pastor's association as per previous month's minutes. The meeting received $1125 in Fred Beffum's name. It was decided to have the money in our general fund. Ministry & Council will see that there is tea and coffee following worship each First Day. A rough draft of our state of society report was read and approved. A final copy will be appendaged to this page of the meeting's minutes.

Debbie Warren, as a member of ministry and council, read a third letter to be sent to members who have not answered our previous two letters. The names of those who will receive the letter were also read; both will be attached to these minutes when the clerk receives a copy.

Monthly meeting will return to the last First Day of the month followed by a pot luck.

The 10th query was read at the close of the meeting.

Betty Bannon, Clerk

Monthly Meeting was held at the rise of meeting for worship second month twenty-six. Our previous meeting minutes were read and approved.

Quarterly meeting will be April 17 - the clerk asked for representatives. It was decided to wait and see if more information is received before Friends respond. This summer Quarterly Meeting will be here, at our meeting. We should begin thinking about a program and

An idea put forth is to compare business in 1776 and the present.

The clerk named Alice Wills and Al Warren to a committee to find another clerk. There's a clerk's workshop the end of March which would be nice if both could attend.

Jack Rounds read parts from a letter concerning the bombing of an AFSC office in Des Moines, Iowa. After discussing it, it was decided to send $25. to them and ask them to fill us in as to why they feel it happened.

Alison Oldham of New London Meeting attended a conference on raising children in a violent society. The clerk will see if she can come speak to us at our April 2nd meeting following monthly meeting. Next month's pot luck will be a time to see slides on China Camp.

After announcing several up coming conferences, the meeting was closed with the reading of the eleventh query.

Patty Bammer, Clerk

A short monthly meeting followed worship on third month twenty-six. The clerk said she would try and attend Quarterly Meeting in Worcester - others are welcomed to do likewise. A short discussion followed about the purpose of Quarterly Meeting. Perhaps that would be a good topic when Quarterly Meeting is held here this summer.

Alison Oldham will not be able to speak at our next monthly meeting. She will speak the second First Day in April at New London Meeting. The clerk also mentioned the numerous conferences coming up and strongly urged people to attend. A reminder was given concerning the Holly Near concert - proceeds to support Rhode Island A.F.S.C.

The clerk told of receiving a call from Louis Marstaller asking if we could have a get together on April 19 to hear Bruce Weber. It was decided that Monday is not a good day for us to gather.

Meeting was closed with the reading of the 12 query

Patty Bammer - clerk

Monthly Meeting was held fourth month 25th. Previous months minutes were read and approved. With next month's business meeting Anna Rounds will be clerk and Debora Warren recorder. The clerk reminded those present of the Ithaca Conference June 26 to July 3

It was decided that Robert Coal should be asked to speak at Quarterly Meeting to be held at Westerly the third Saturday in July. The Pinkhallows

enuil us if Kobuc Coal is available. It was suggested that the format of Quarterly Meeting be changed to meeting for worship and business at 11; lunch at 12:30 and the program begin at 2 P.M. Baby sitting will be available.

A minute of thanks to Anne and Jack Rounds for the table & pail hangers of flowers and to Bill Bammer for unplugging the pipes, now water is available in the kitchen!

Meeting was closed with the reading of the 1st query.

Kitty Bammer, Clerk

Fifth month

On May 25, 1976 a special meeting of business was held to dicuss the removal of a maple tree which our next door neighbors on the left, the DeMirs, wish to remove at their expense because the tree was destructive to their swimming pool. Copies of the letter written by the DeMirs were circulated to members of the meeting. A letter by Debora Warren recording her experience of a personal meeting with the DeMirs was read. The sense of the meeting was that, although sadly missed, removal of the tree was also in our best interest. Robert Perry, Treasurer, offered to write a letter to the DeMirs concerning our position on the tree's removal. Dick Jeffrie's excellent idea that we plant another was taken up by Alice Wills' lovely offer that we plant a Shagbark Hickory in memory of her husband, J. Borton Wills. The idea was well received.

Anne H. Rounds, Clerk

Sixth month

Monthly Meeting was held on June 6th as it had been previously decided that Memorial Day Week-end was not an appropriate time to hold Monthly Meeting. Bob Perry's letter to the DeMirs was read. He had had a telephone conversation with them in which they stated that if they removed the tree they would use Interstate Tree Company and would insure full coverage. He had, at that point, heard nothing further from them. It was decided that we plant the Shagbark Hickory in the fall. A visitor, Constance St. John, from Putney Vermont mentioned the Conference to Share Resources for Personal and Social Change to be held at Indian Brook Camp, Plymouth Union Vt, in August. Jack Rounds related his experience as a

representative of The Rhode Island American Friends' Service Committee in convincing Congressman Beard to vote against appropriations for funds for the B-1 Bomber this year. An invitation from Congregation Sharah Zedek in Westerly to attend their bicentennial celebration was read and Anne and Jack Rounds offered to attend their service. It was decided that a short business meeting be held on June 27th to discuss plans for Quarterly Meeting. Bob Perry is to continue as Treasurer of Monthly Meeting. Debra Warren is this year's representative from Westerly to New England Yearly Meeting in August. Claire Hofer and Anne Rounds are to be representatives of Quarterly Meeting. The meeting ended with the reading of the second Query.

Anne H. Rounds, Clerk

Sixth Month

On June 27, a special meeting was held to finalize plans for Quarterly Meeting. Claire Hofer, Alice Wills and Anne Rounds agreed to spend Friday, July 16 preparing the Meeting House for our Guests. Debra Warren offered to supply the coffee and some cake. Nancy Penhallow offered to supply punch, and Hope Gardella and Anne Rounds also agreed to supply cakes. Claire Hofer offered her services to pick up the ice cream when lunch was finished. The decision was made to hold no more Monthly Meetings except at the call of the clerk until September. After Meeting many members and attenders enjoyed a picnic lunch at the Warrens. The meeting ended with the reading of the third Query

Anne H. Rounds, Clerk

Seventh Month

On July 25, a special meeting of business was called to discuss offering the use of the Meeting House on August 21st for ten to fifteen walkers participating in The Continental Walk for Disarmament and Social Justice at the request of the Providence Office of The American Friends' Service Committee. Claire Hofer and Alice Wills had previously offered their services to act as chaperones and hostesses for the group for the duration of their stay. Those present were in favor of opening the meeting for such a purpose, although we would not offer our name as sponsors. Friends present agreed that offering the use of our

Meeting House was sufficient contribution to the cause. Ended Meeting with reading 4th Query

Anne W. Rounds, clerk

Ninth Month

Westerly Monthly Meeting was held on First Day, September 26th. The first order of business was the reading of a letter from the Beacon Hill Friends Center requesting donations. Friends agreed that such donations would be a matter of individual choice. Secondly, a letter from the Trustees of the Stephen Aldrich fund was read to inform Friends that $3,000 is available to "poor and needy" members and how application to the fund should be executed. A letter from the American Friends Service Committee, Providence addressed to Claire Hoter and Alice Wills thanking them for their help with The Continental Walkers was read. Alice Wills reported that the experience was uplifting with a pervasive feeling of love and friendship. Next, Debra Warren reported events that took place at Yearly Meeting, last month. The sessions were held at Wheaton College, Norton, Mass. The order of the day went as follows - 1st, Bible Study and a series of lectures, 2nd, one half hour of worship-sharing groups, followed by business sessions. Afternoons were free until until later when subjects of interest to Friends was offered in depth to those interested. Debra Warren attended David White's lecture about nuclear power where problems such its action, waste and storage were discussed together with the response of Friends towards nuclear power. The final evening of Yearly Meeting, Friends gathered to enjoy the lighter side of Quakerism. While attending Yearly Meeting, Debra Warren also taught first and second graders. Tim and Liz Warren also attended Yearly Meeting. Tim Warren reported that he had "bad fun" joining with 110 other young Friends. During the day business meetings for Young Friends were held, their afternoons were free and Tim enjoyed playing soccer. In the evenings young people got together and sang songs and socialized. Tim stated the budget was not large enough to accommodate the

good purposes of young Friends needs at Yearly Meeting. Liz Warren enjoyed the crafts where one of the activities was making William Penn tee shirts. She found her experience at Yearly Meeting very worthwhile and urged more members to go.

Bill Penhallow was appointed our representative to Quarterly Meeting to be held in Newport on October 16th. Kitty Bammer suggested we find a way of sharing and exchanging books among other members in Quarterly Meeting.

Jack Rounds advised Friends that the Friends Committee on National Legislature has scheduled January 30th 1977 as a special emphasis Sunday for FCNL and is requesting the support and participation of Monthly Meetings throughout the country. Our Monthly Meeting agreed to participate and will advise FCNL accordingly.

Robert Perry, Treasurer, stated he would send out the annual Treasurer's report in the coming week. The major expenses have been the repair of the roof and the foundation is also in need of attention.

Alan Warren announced that Dick Jeffrey has agreed to teach the upper group in First Day School again this year. Alice Wills offered to help Debra Warren with the lower group on alternating Sundays. Dick Jeffrey, Alice Wills and Debra Warren will constitute our Religious Education Committee.

A London Plain Tree donated by Alice Wills will be ready for planting next First Day. We shall all be prepared with shovels. The Meeting ended with the reading of the Fifth Query.

Anne H. Rounds, Clerk

Tenth Month

Monthly Meeting was held on the last First Day, October 31st. Announcement of Bill Penhallow's being appointed Clerk of Quarterly Meeting was made. Bill reported on the events of October's Quarterly Meeting. The idea of exchanging books among other Monthly Meetings in the Quarter had been discussed. Providence now has 200 books for either permanent exchange or lending. A complete listing of books in each Monthly Meeting is first required and it was suggested that they be divided into two categories - one

for permanent exchange and the other for lending. There will be some time before this plan is implemented. In the near future our own meeting will take action in appointing a committee to organize our own library. During the next two sessions of Quarterly Meeting there will be a discussion of a program for sending young people in the Quarter to visit other countries to study their problems and life style. Africa was the area in which our Quarter was specifully interested. How funds will be raised for this purpose and their use will be part of future discussions in the Quarter.

We were very pleased to receive a letter of transfer from Haverford Monthly Meeting Penn. in the name of Harvey C. Perry, II. The meeting welcomes him and is enriched by his membership and the attendance of his fine family.

Claire Hofer agreed to start a discussion group on Quakers, following an outline written by Adda Dilts and Dwight Wilson of Friends General Conference, Philadelphia. After receiving the outline, Claire stated that she would study it and then discuss plans for the class the following First Day. Tentative plans were made for a pot-luck supper to be held Saturday Dec 4th at the Meeting House where we would discuss the Friends Committee on National Legislation and the current political scene under the guidance of George Bliss, Field Secretary of FCNL. We later planted a dogwood tree and tulip bulbs around the Meeting House Sign, gifts from Alice Wills. The meeting closed with the reading of the 6th Query.

Anne W. Rounds, Clerk

Eleventh Month

On November 28th Monthly Meeting was held. The discussion group on Quakerism and its beliefs is being held each First Day from 10 to 11 a.m. It is being well attended and seems to be beneficial to those participating. Allan Warren and Harvey Perry were asked to nominate someone for Ministry and Counsel to replace Debra Warren. Jack Rounds circulated a petition on Appeal For Reconciliation sponsored by the American Friends' Service Committee and other groups. A request was brought before the Meeting by Martin Watkins that he and his fiancee, Shelley Tyoe be married in our Meeting in May.

The Watkins have attended Westerly Monthly Meeting in the past and are members of another Meeting in Maryland. The details will be handled by Ministry and Counsel and will receive aid from those in the Meeting experienced in these matters. The Meeting ended with the reading of the 7th Query.

Anne N. Rounds, Clerk

1977
First Month

Westerly Monthly Meeting was held on January 30. Nancy Penhallow and Dick Jeffrey agreed to discuss the State of Society Report which is due May 1, 1977 Kitty Bammer suggested that we send copies of the State of Society Report along with the newsletter. Nancy Penhallow has kindly agreed to continue writing the newsletter in the following weeks

Jack Rounds has been nominated to serve on the Policy Committee of the Friends Committee on National Legislation.

Discussion centered around our financial responsibilities. There was a concern in the Meeting that we could not continue to rely on donations which not be always forthcoming. Debra Warren suggested that everyone should donate, whether financially or by involment, up to his or her limit. The Meeting discussed raising money and Bill Penhallow suggested that we have a specific purpose in mind when we plan to raise funds. Members felt that we could donate to specific concerns such as Minute 74 or Minute 60 or Educatoond purposes that are a concern of New England Yearly Meeting and for Friends Service Committee and FCNL, if we made an effort to do so. A yard sale was considered as a means of raising money and it was agreed that a request for new ideas on ways of improving our Financial condition be included in the next Newsletter. The meeting ended with the reading of the eight Query.

Anne N. Rounds, Clerk

Second Month

On February 27 Westerly Monthly Meeting was held after the Meeting for worship.

Harvey C. Perry II has been nominated and has accepted membership on the Ministry and Counsel Committee, replacing Debra Warren.

Discussion centered around replacing a sign for the Meeting House. Dick Jeffrey offered to write John Maynard, a New York Friend, who had offered to make a sign for us, thanking him for his thoughtfulness. We agreed that we should, however, take care of the replacement our selves. Friends were interested in having two signs - one, replacing

the old sign and another one on the building itself. The sign on the building would add an historic touch with the year the building was built inscribed on it.

Bill Bammer offered to make the signs and give them to Mary Damerel who would contact Harvey Fuller of Mystic. Harvey Fuller would then paint the signs as he has done so capably in the past.

John Rounds brought to the attention of the Meeting, Notice of a dinner in Providence sponsered by the American Friends Service Committee at which Carol Bragg, a AFSC staff member would discuss her experiences on her recent four-week trip to Viet-Nam.

Nancy Penhallow was appointed as our Monthly Meeting representative to serve on the Committee for Ministry and Counsel of Quarterly Meeting.

Friends were interested in resuming the discussion groups which meet at 10 a.m. before the Meetings for Worship. Dick Jeffrey was amenable to leading the next one on the subject of Silent Worship. The group will meet two weeks hence.

The meeting ended with the reading of the ninth query.

Anne D. Rounds, Clerk

Third Month

On the 27th of March, Monthly Meeting was opened with discussion of the expected marriage of Martin Watkins and his fiancee now believed to take place in July. Dick Jeffrey stated that we had no official in our Meeting to sign the marriage certificate. Jack Rounds with the Meeting's approval agreed to register at the Town Hall to act in the capacity of a registered clergyman for the purpose and for other similar circumstances that might arise in the future.

Bill Bammer stated the signs for the building were progressing and would be ready in the near future.

The youth group suggested that the downstairs needed painting and general repair attention badly. Allan Warren agreed to look at the condition and tentative plans were made for a group to work on the downstairs, perhaps doing a week at a time.

As clerk, I agreed to order ten copies of A New Call to Peacemaking which Alison Olden

of New London Meeting, chairman of the Yearly Meeting Peace and Social Concerns Committee wished our meeting to read and then give our reactions either as a group or as individuals. in time to have our views represented for the Peace and Social Concerns Conference on May 7 which meets in the Providence Meeting House.

Nancy Penhallow read the State of Society Report which she composed as a member of Ministry and Counsel. It was well received. She has also sent out the newsletter for this Quarter.

Discussion next was centered around the condition of the building as a whole. There is a feeling among Friends that we should have an estimate and an idea of what is absolutely necessary in the way of repairs. Bill Penhallow agreed to contact Clarence Swan who would share his expertise on the condition of the building. The Meeting ended with the reading of the Tenth Query.

Anne H. Rounds, Clerk.

4/24/77

The minutes of the monthly meeting held Third Month 27th were read and approved.

William Penhallow reported on the recent Quarterly meeting sessions at which the principal discussions centered on the recording of two Friends ministers - a matter which had been pending since last summer. Although serious reservations to this action were expressed by a number of those in attendance, the Quarterly meeting approved the appointment of the two ministerial candidates with the understanding that a formal Quarterly meeting request will be made to Yearly Meeting to review the process of recording ministers. Another highlight of the sessions was the talk given by a speaker from the New Women's Center in Providence.

John Rounds next reported on his trip to Washington, D.C. on Fourth Month 15th and 16th and participation in meetings of the Policy Committee of the Friends Committee on National Legislation, of which he is a member. He and Anne Rounds joined Friends in Princeton, New Jersey the next day at an open-air meeting for worship.

John Rounds further reported that, in accordance with the decision made at our last monthly meeting, he has registered with the Westerly Town Clerk's office and is now officially authorized to perform all requisite statutory duties relating to weddings held in our meeting-house. No word has yet been received regarding the exact date of the forthcoming wedding of Martin Watkins and Shelley Toye.

A discussion followed concerning the need to clean the meeting house and a number of repairs that require attention. It was agreed that John Rounds would contact our oil supplier regarding repairs to the furnace exhaust pipe and that a work party will be held very soon to take care of the cleaning and

begin the other repairs, with particular attention to replacement of some of our water pipes by William Bamner and Allan Warren.

At the request of the Rhode Island Area Office of the American Friends Service Committee the Monthly Meeting agreed to act as an official co-sponsor of a public meeting on the death penalty to be held at the Westerly Public Library on Fifth Month 9th at 7:30 p.m. At the meeting a film entitled "Cruel and Unusual Punishment" will be shown and followed by a discussion. As a co-sponsor we agree to help publicize the meeting and to contribute $5.00 to defray in part the cost of renting the film.

The meeting closed with a reading of the 11th Query.

John L. Rounds, Acting Clerk

6/5/77 The minutes of the monthly meeting held Fourth Month 24th were read and approved.

Richard Jeffery of the Committee on Clearness for the wedding of Shelley Karen Toye and Martin Edward Watkins reported favorably on their wish to be married under our care and oversight, and at his request the following official minute was approved:

> The Westerly Monthly Meeting of the Religious Society of Friends joyfully advises and approves a wedding, under the care of the Meeting on the 20th day of August 1977, between Shelley Karen Toye and Martin Edward Watkins.

The Clerk was then directed to send a copy of this minute to Shelley Toye and Martin Watkins, and the Committee on Clearness for the wedding was formally laid down, its purpose having been accomplished.

A Committee on Oversight of the wedding was next appointed consisting of John Rounds, Anne Rounds, Nancy Penhallow, Harvey Perry, II and Allan Warren. A list of the names, addresses and telephone numbers of the committee members is to be sent to Shelley Toye and Martin Watkins.

John Rounds reported on a recent gift to the First Day School from Mary Dameron consisting of a copy of the "Good News" version of the Bible and six copies of this version of the New Testament. The Monthly Meeting expressed its gratitude for this gift and asked that the Clerk send a letter of appreciation to Mary Dameron.

Lincoln Watkins reported on the recent work party at which repairs to the plumbing and downstairs walls had been started and the first-floor of the meeting-house had been thoroughly cleaned. Another work party was scheduled for Sixth Month 12th in conjunction with a pot-luck luncheon.

The public meeting on the death penalty on Fifth Month 9th at the Westerly Public Library, which we agreed to co-sponsor, was held as scheduled, but because of a late-season snow-storm attendance was limited to about a dozen. Sarah Perry and William Penhallow were among those who attended.

The Monthly Meeting approved of beginning meeting for worship at 10:30 a.m. each First Day through Labor Day weekend in

accordance with previous practice. John Rounds will notify The Westerly Sun of this change.

Debora Warren, Kathleen Banner and William Penhallow were named to serve as our official representatives to Yearly Meeting in August at Wheaton College.

Announcement was made of the American Friends Service Committee's annual yard and bake sale to be held in Providence on Sixth Month 10th and 11th. Proceeds from this function help to finance the program of the AFSC's Rhode Island Area office.

The meeting closed with a reading of the 12th Query.

John S. Rounds, Acting Clerk

6/25/77

On First Day, June 26, Westerly Monthly Meeting was held. Minutes of the previous Monthly Meeting were read and approved. Dick Jeffrey suggested that the Minute on giving up a meal for a week and donating money for food relief be laid down as there was no active participation at this time. The discision was made to bring the matter up in September.

A work party for downstairs was scheduled for July 10th. Agreement was reached that there would be no Monthly Meetings until September except at the call of the clerk. The meeting ended with the reading of the 1st Query.

Anne D. Rounds, Clerk

9/25/77

Westerly Monthly Meeting was held on First Day, September 25th. The minutes of the last Monthly Meeting were read and approved. The clerk announced that a dinner and talk was being presented by Carol Bragg and Jerry Elmer of the Providence Cenerial Friends Service Committee on Multinational and Human Rights at Matheson Street, United Methodist Church in Providence. Next the clerk asked the Meeting if it was interested and willing to sponsor or co-sponsor a presentation by Carol Bragg and Jerry Elmer for a fee of $100. The sense of the Meeting was that we would co-sponsor a talk if our expenses did not exceed $25. Mary Leonard suggested that the Library might be interested and the Clerk agreed to call Paul Heller, President of the Association of Christian Leaders of Westerly to see if there was a community

interest in the topic. Kitty Bamner stated that she would contact New London Meeting regarding the subject.

After mail and literature was distributed among members and attenders from Friends United Meeting, discussion centered around the value of our association with FUM. Dick Jeffrey suggested that a box be placed at the vestibule for literature from FUM (Friends United Meeting) and another box for literature from Powell House to help keep Friends informed of activities and policies of both. The Meeting agreed to the action. To help inform further those interested in Quaker history, Alice Wills suggested that they obtain a copy of the book, Quakers in America

Debra Warner suggested that the Meeting subscribe to "Friends Journal" and the thought was well-taken. The Clerk was asked to order 100 Motto Calendars for the Christmas season as there was much interest among members.

The Education Committee consisting of Debbie Warner, Dick Jeffrey and Alice Wills is to continue as last year, with Dick Jeffrey taking the Youth Group and Alice Wills and Debbie Warner alternating with the First Day School. The Committee will meet separately to decide the education policy.

The ~~Clerk~~ Committee for Ministry and Council consisting of Dick Jeffrey, Harvey Lewis II, and Nancy Lenhardt will continue with a new member, Kitty Bamner who served as our Ministry and Counsel Representative to Yearly Meeting. Kitty reported of a successful Yearly Meeting experience and urged members to make a special effort to attend. Kitty also suggested that the Meeting contribute $5. to any family or individual who has not attended Yearly Meeting before, regardless of need, just to ensure that more members and

attended the Meeting expressing the benefits of Yearly Meeting. Daire Warren and Hope Goodell also concurred that Yearly Meeting was a worthwhile experience and Kelly's suggestion was approved by the Meeting.

Jack Rounds as a member of the Overnight Committee for the wedding of Shelley Joyce and Mark Watkins which was held at Westerly Meeting on August 20, 1977 reported that the wedding was in the best of Friends traditions and the reception following was conducted in a happy and respectful manner fitting to the occasion with the addition of a beautiful day to make the event all the more pleasant. He then requested that the Overnight Committee for the wedding be discharged as their duties were fulfilled. Dick Jeffrey expressed thanks to the Overnight Committee and the parents of the Groom for their contribution to the success of the wedding.

The Clerk asked the Meeting if she might buy a new record book at Shea's Stationery Store for the price of $21.42 with a 10% discount and the Meeting approved. Lois Watkins suggested that we note in the new record book where the old record book was located for future reference. The idea was well-received. Lois Watkins also brought up the question of having the downstairs floor sanded for a price of $150. The Meeting approved the action and Lois agreed to contact a man to execute the job.

Alice Wild noted that the nursery had replaced the tree we planted last fall in front of the Meeting House with a new healthy tree. She also stated she had a small Shagbark Hickory which will be planted in the back yard. The Meeting ended with the reading of the second Query.

Anne A. Rounds, Clerk

On October 16, First Day, Lois Watkins brought before the Meeting the fact that the cost of having the floor sanded was more than the original estimate. The cost was $260. The Meeting approved the additional cost and agreed the tradesmen should be paid as soon as possible.

Anne A. Rounds, Clerk

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Dear Friends

We must express our gratitude for your recent contribution. Such an expression of your steadfast interest and support helps us when we go to face Congress with our facts & figures & philosophy.

Sincerely,
Helen Bliss

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THE COMMITTEE OF CLEARNESS FOR THE WEDDING OF SHELLEY RAE N TOYE AND MARTIN EDWARD WATKINS REPORTED FAVOURABLY TO MONTHLY MEETING HELD JUNE 5TH 1977.

The WESTERLY MEETING OF THE RELIGIOUS SOCIETY OF FRIENDS JOYFULLY ADVISES AND APPROVES A WEDDING, UNDER THE CARE OF THE MEETING ON THE_____TH OF 1977 BETWEEN SHELLEY EARLN TOYE AND MARTIN EDWARD WATKINS, AND DIRECTS THE CLERK TO SEND A COPY OF THIS MINUTE TO SHELLEY TOYE AND MARTIN WATKINS.

THE MEETING APPROVES THE LAYING DOWN OF THE COMMITTEE OF CLEARNESS FOR THE SHELLEY TOYE, MARTIN WATKINS WEDDING AS ITS DIRECTIVE HAS BEEN CARRIED OUT.

Westerly Friends' Meeting
57 Elm Street
Westerly, R.I.

October 12, 1978

Westerly International Meditation Society
53 Elm Street
Westerly, R.I.

Dear Maureen Kelleher and Pat Hufnagel,

We know that you have been waiting for our reply to your request to use our meeting house for free lectures, introducing your T.M. program to the public and we are indeed sorry not to have been able to answer you sooner.

Our group has given a great deal of thought and careful consideration to your request, ever since you kindly met with us on September 24th to answer our many questions.

As you know, Friends must be unanimous in feeling, toward all matters of business, before a decision can be reached, which often takes a very long time.

Now, after all your patient waiting, we are sorry to report that we just cannot see our way clear to agree to your request for the use of the meeting house.

In loving spirit,

Claire P. Hofer

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Appointed scribe for
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Mrs. John Rounds
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August 17, 1978

Dear Mrs. Rounds,

We would like to request the use of the Friends Meeting House for our free public lectures on the Transcendental Meditation program. We represent the International Meditation Society, a non-profit educational organization, whose purpose is to teach the Transcendental Meditation technique, as taught by Maharishi Mahesh Yogi.

The Transcendental Meditation technique is a simple, natural effortless mental technique, practiced for twenty minutes twice a day by about two million people around the world of all ages and backgrounds. The Transcendental Meditation technique gives the mind and body a profound quality of rest which dissolves stress and unfolds full mental potential. Over 200 scientific studies on the TM technique have shown that the life of the individual becomes more orderly, harmonious and successful, and this raises the quality of life for his family. Excellent health is gained as common problems such as asthma, insomnia, anxiety and high blood pressure are eliminated. Research on over 1100 cities has indicated that where 1% of a population is practicing the TM technique and enjoying harmony and order, then the whole population enjoys the effects. Crime, sickness, and accident rates decrease while positive trends of the community (harmony, economy, employment, creativity, etc.) begin to flourish. With the TM program, any community can enjoy an Ideal Society.

We offer free public lectures on this profound but simple program and hope that we can use the Meeting House to make this information available to Westerly residents. The lectures take about an hour (maximum one and a half) and are held at 7:30 or 8:00 on a week night. If possible we would appreciate a brief meeting with you. One of your members suggested we write to you and leave the letter in your door here at the Meeting House.

We look forward to your speedy reply as we are eager to set up lectures in town right away. Should you have any questions, please call us at 348-8073.

Sincerely,

Maureen E. Kelleher

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Westerly, Rhode Island
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~~Bishop~~
Howard K. Higgins, Bishop
of the Episcopal Diocese of Rhode Island,
Providence, R. I.

Dear Bishop Higgins,

The Westerly Monthly Meeting of Friends has been advised that representatives from a widely invited collection of churches and synagogues in Rhode Island will gather next January for the Rhode Island Conference on Religion and Race.

This meeting is glad to hear of the plans for this Conference and wishes to offer its cooperative participation in the Conference's purposes and deliberations.

Yours sincerely,
M. B. T., Clerk

Mailed Sept. 26, 1963.

At a special business session of Westerly Monthly Meeting of Friends held February 10, 1963 a minute was adopted as follows,

This Meeting favors and urges its members to work for the passage of a bill introduced into the Rhode Island legislature on or about January 2, 1963 entitled "An Act, etc"

The Meeting recognises that no legislation of this kind would be required to carry out the aims defined at length in the Bill if the country up to this time had lived up to the principles enunciated in the Federal and State constitutions, or if it had observed the fundamental principals professed on the subject by Christians generally. Since the need for government regulation in this

respect has been amply demonstated,
this Meeting fully approves The Bill
as introduced in The Rhode Island
legislature after long investigation of
the subject.

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